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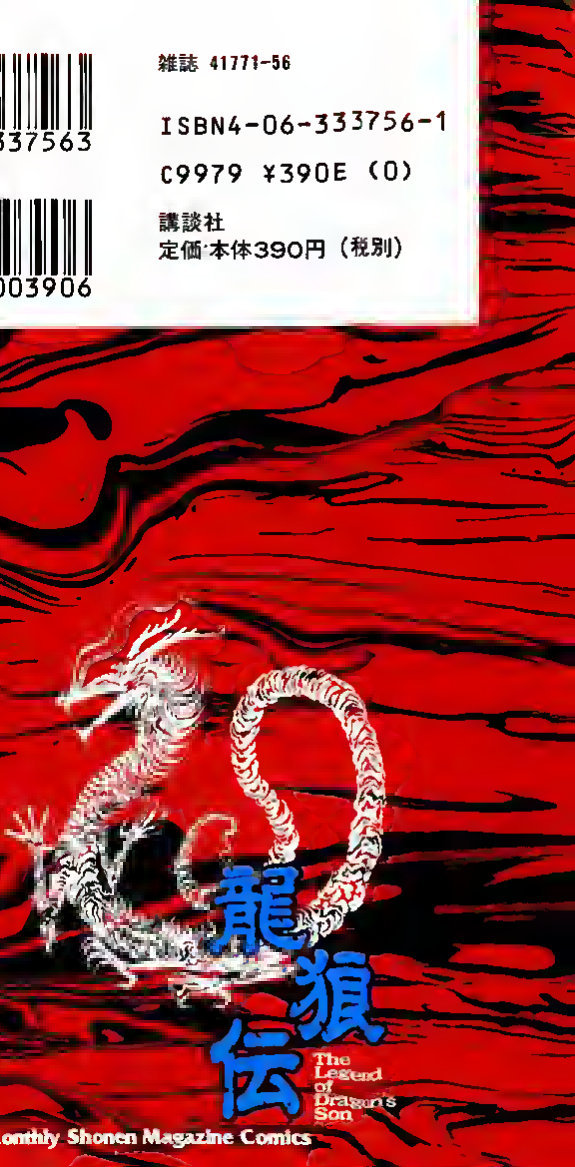

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“仲達”の策謀によって犯した皇帝暗殺未遂の大罪を背負い、漢の礎とならんとする毛玠は刑場の露と消えた。その死を賭した直言に発憤した献帝は、“仲達”に曹操討伐を命じ、丞相自ら率いる軍団が許昌を進発。一方、帝を善導しようとする楓は、その真意を胸に後宮へと……。

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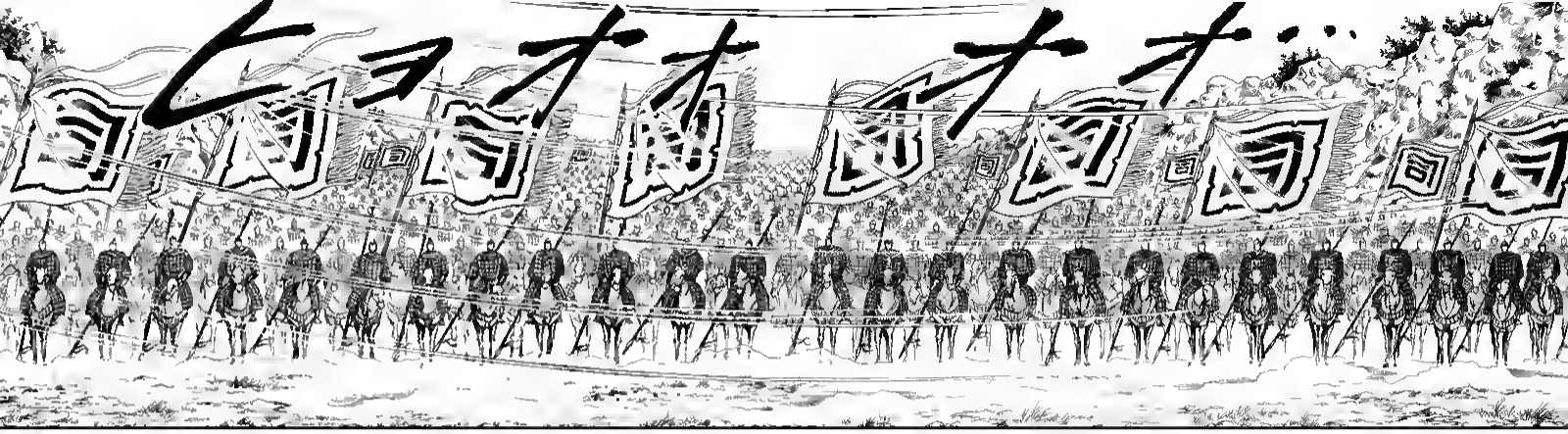
前巻まで

中学生の天地志狼と泉真澄は、突如現れた巨大な竜によって、現代から"三国志"の世界へと連れ去られ、それぞれ"竜の軍師"と"竜天女"として生きる運命を背負った。

壮麗な"天子の宴"の最中、漢の司空・毛玠が皇帝暗殺を謀った。楓、馬超の働きで事なきを得たその暗殺劇の裏に、"仲達"の魔手が伸びていた事を確信する斉周は、毛玠の大罪を晴らそうとする。だが、漢の礎とならんとする毛玠は自ら処刑を望み、文字通り命を賭して献帝に直言した。曹操を討て、と……。刑場の露と消えた毛玠の遺志の如く、献帝は"仲達"に曹操討伐を命じ、丞相自ら率いる軍団が許昌を進発。一方、帝を善導しようとする楓は、その悲壮な意志を志狼に打ち明け、後宮へとその身を投じていった……。

Chapter 83
THE EMPEROR'S SECRET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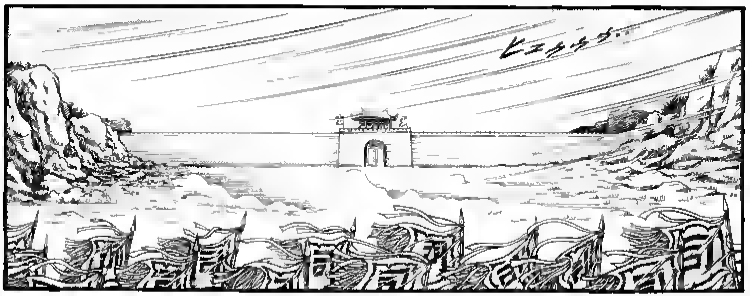
DON'T WORRY
CAPTAIN

OH.

NO ARMY CAN GET PAST THAT
THE MOST IMPORTANT PLACE OF THE STRONGHOLD IS RE-ENFORCED BY SOLID ROCKS

I WONDER HOW LONG OUR DEFENCE WILL LAST
SUCH A LARGE ARMY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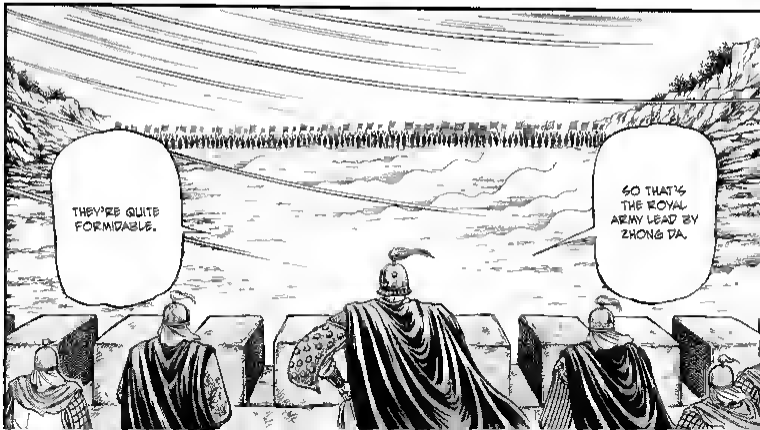
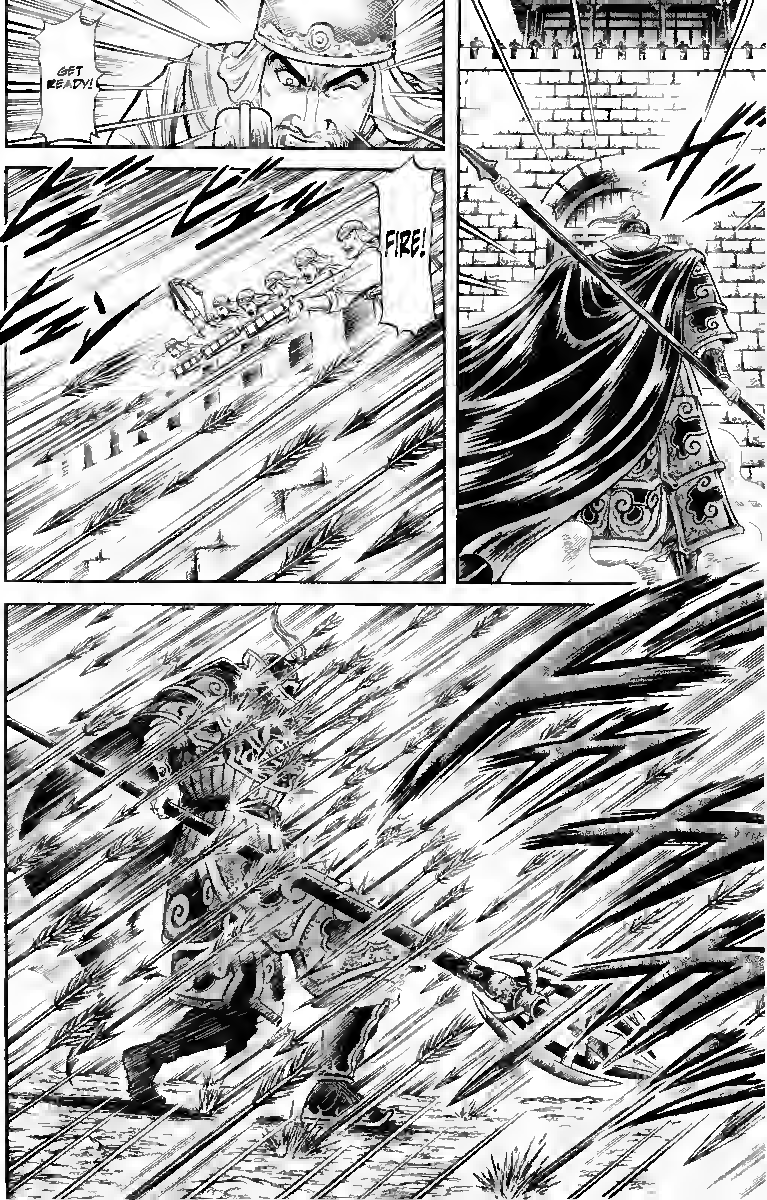

THEY'RE QUITE FORMIDABLE.
SO THAT'S THE ROYAL ARMY LEAD BY ZHONG DA.

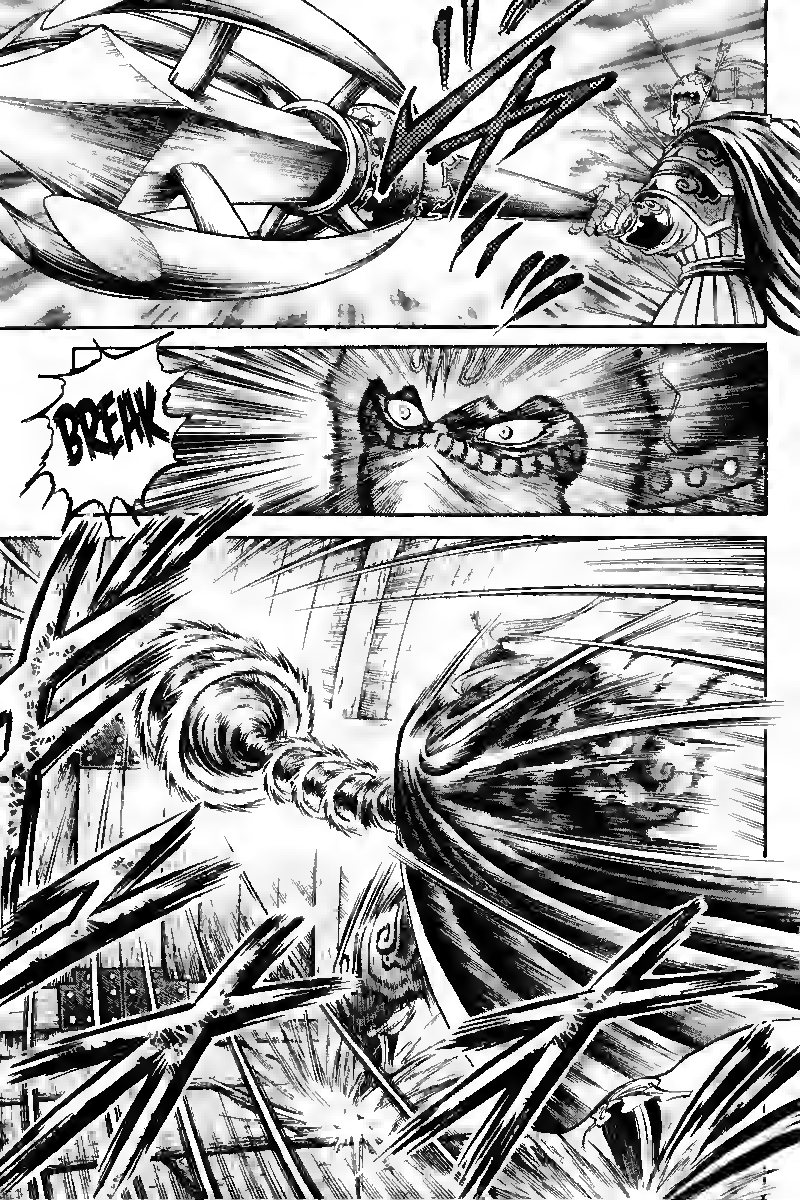
ヒュウウ…
ヒョオオオ
WHAT?
ONLY ONE SOLDIER?
COULD HE BE AN AMBASSADOR?

SIEZ
GET THE ARCHERS READY.
HE'S NOT RIDING A HORSE. PERHAPS HE'S AFRAID OF GETTING SHOT AT.
AN AMBASSADOR WOULDN'T BE WEARING ARMOR AND HOLDING A WEAPON LIKE THAT.
HOW ARROGANT! RELEASE THE ARROWS AS SOON AS HE'S WITHIN RANGE!
THAT GUY WANTS TO TAKE DOWN THE FORT BY HIMSELF!

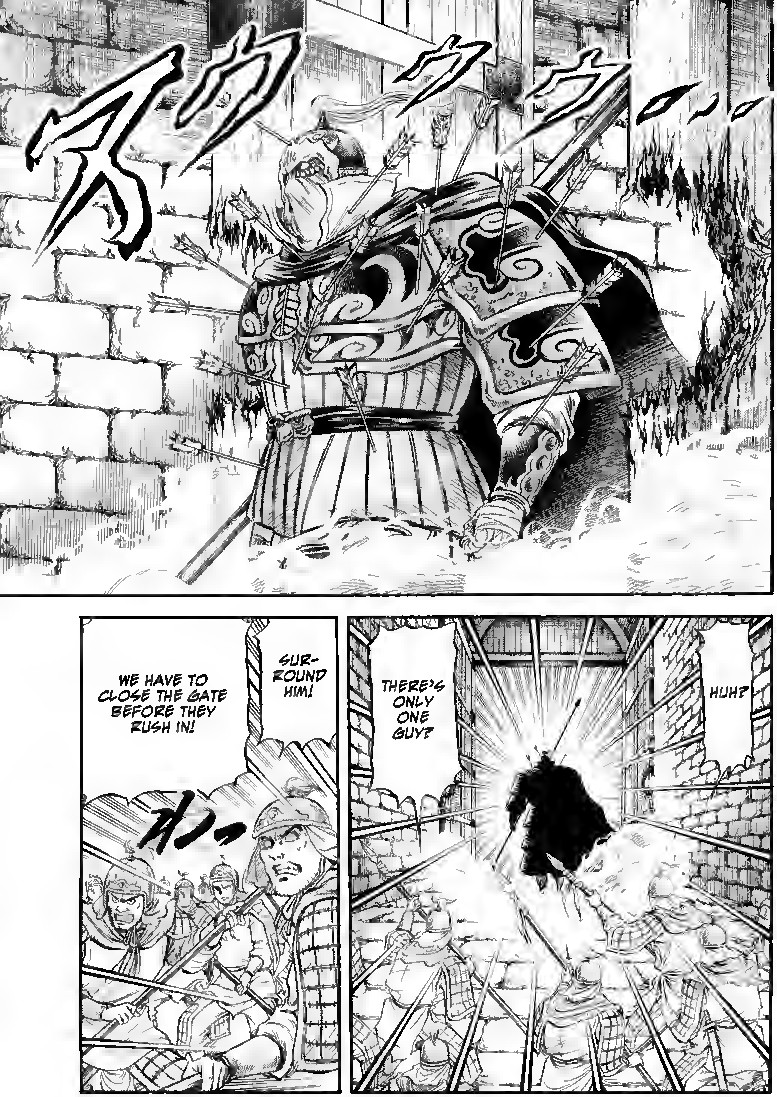

GET READY!
FIRE!

HUH?
HE'S HIT BY ARROWS ALL OVER ...
BUT HE'S STILL STANDING!!
UGH
WHO IS THIS GUY?

AH!
AGAIN! DON'T BE AFRAID!
WHAT?
WE COULD NOT STOP HIM!


BREAK

THE GATE HAS BEEN BREACHED!
WHAT?


ズウウ…
WE HAVE TO CLOSE THE GATE BEFORE THEY RUSH IN!
SUR-ROUND HIM!
カッ
THERE'S ONLY ONE GUY?
HUH?

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DIE!
ヒュッ
WE GOT HIM!
YES!
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ガラッ
FUNNY.
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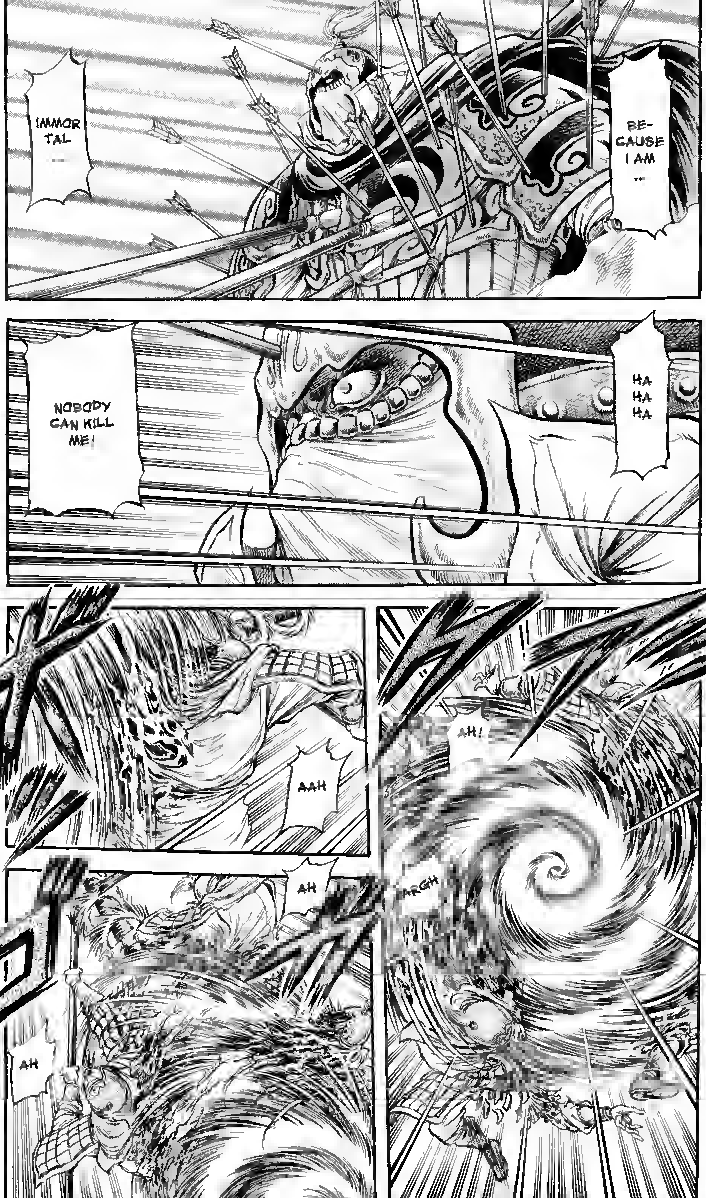
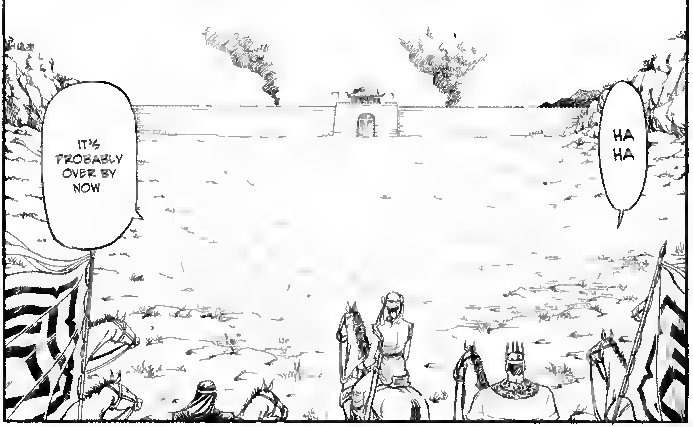
WHY ISN'T HE DEAD?!
BUT... WE GOT HIM ...
AH!


IMMOR TAL ...
BE- CAUSE I AM ...
NOBODY CAN KILL ME!
HA HA HA
AAH
AH
AH!
ARGH
AH

WE'LL ALL BE KILLED!
HE'S A MONSTER!
AH ...
EVERY ONE, RUN AWAY!
RUN!
HOW CAN IT BE DONE SO EASILY BY JUST ONE PERSON
SUCH A WAY TO TAKE DOWN A FORT EXISTS
I WON'T BELIEVE

THAT PERSON IS REALLY FEARSOME.
THIS IS THE POWER OF ZHONG DA?


HA HA
IT'S PROBABLY OVER BY NOW

EVEN XU KONG CAN'T COMPETE WITH THE YELLOW TIGER
IT SEEMS LIKE WE CAN DEFEAT THEIR STRONGHOLDS ANY TIME WE WISH

WHAT THE DRAGON'S SON HAS BEEN UP TO IN XU CHANG FIRST.
WE STILL HAVE TO SEE ...

BUT THIS IS JUST THE BORDERLAND
STILL A LONG WAY FROM CAO CAO'S SHOU CHUN

THEN OUR VICTORY DANCE
WILL HAVE TO WAIT A BIT

ALWAYS AFFECTED BY HUMAN EMOTIONS.
HISTORY IS SO UNSTABLE ...
CAO CAO DRAGON'S SON. BE READY TO PLAY YOUR ROLES.
HOW STUPID.

ROYAL HAREM

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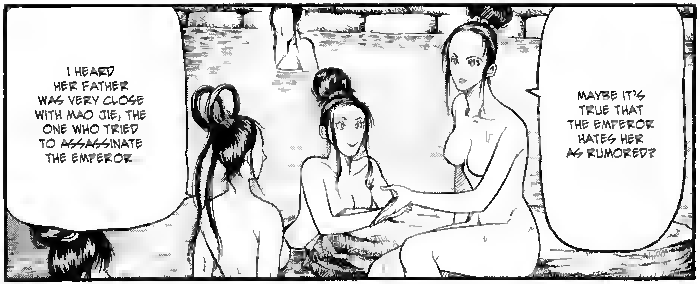
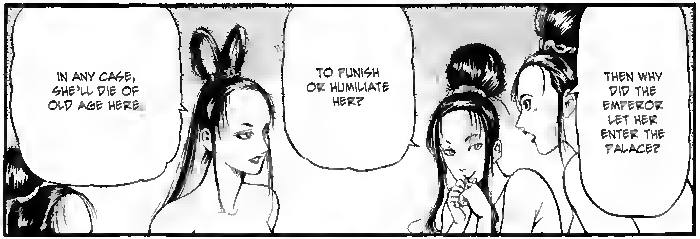
DID YOU KNOW
CONCUBINE GI

THE EMPEROR HASN'T SUMMONED HER EVEN ONCE
WE ALL WERE, AS SOON AS WE ARRIVED


I HEARD HER FATHER WAS VERY CLOSE WITH MAO JIE, THE ONE WHO TRIED TO ASSASSINATE THE EMPEROR.
MAYBE IT'S TRUE THAT THE EMPEROR HATES HER AS RUMORED?


IN ANY CASE, SHE'LL DIE OF OLD AGE HERE.
TO PUNISH OR HUMILIATE HER?
THEN WHY DID THE EMPEROR LET HER ENTER THE PALACE?

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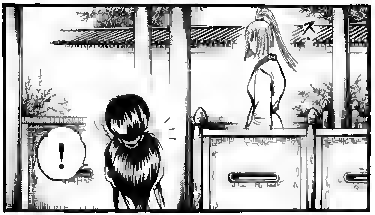
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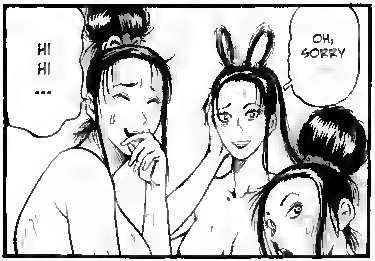
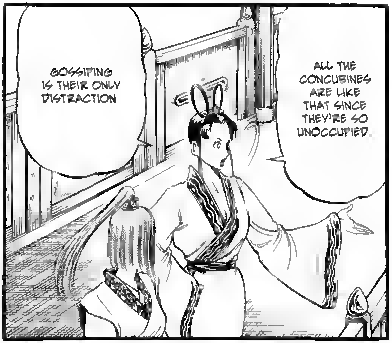
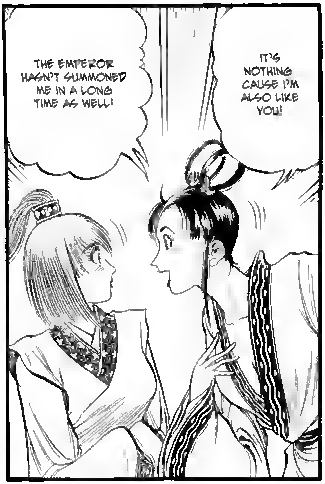

HI HI ...
OH, SORRY

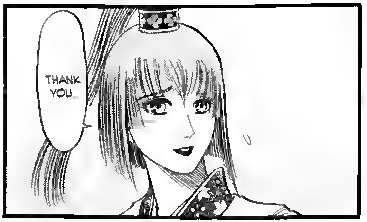

GOSSIPING IS THEIR ONLY DISTRACTION
ALL THE CONCUBINES ARE LIKE THAT SINCE THEY'RE SO UNOCCUPIED

CONCUBINE GU
DON'T PAY ATTENTION TO THEM

THANK YOU VERY MUCH
CONCUBINE HU

WE'RE IN THE SAME BOAT ♡


IT'S NOTHING CAUSE I'M ALSO LIKE YOU!
THE EMPEROR HASN'T SUMMONED ME IN A LONG TIME AS WELL!


THANK YOU

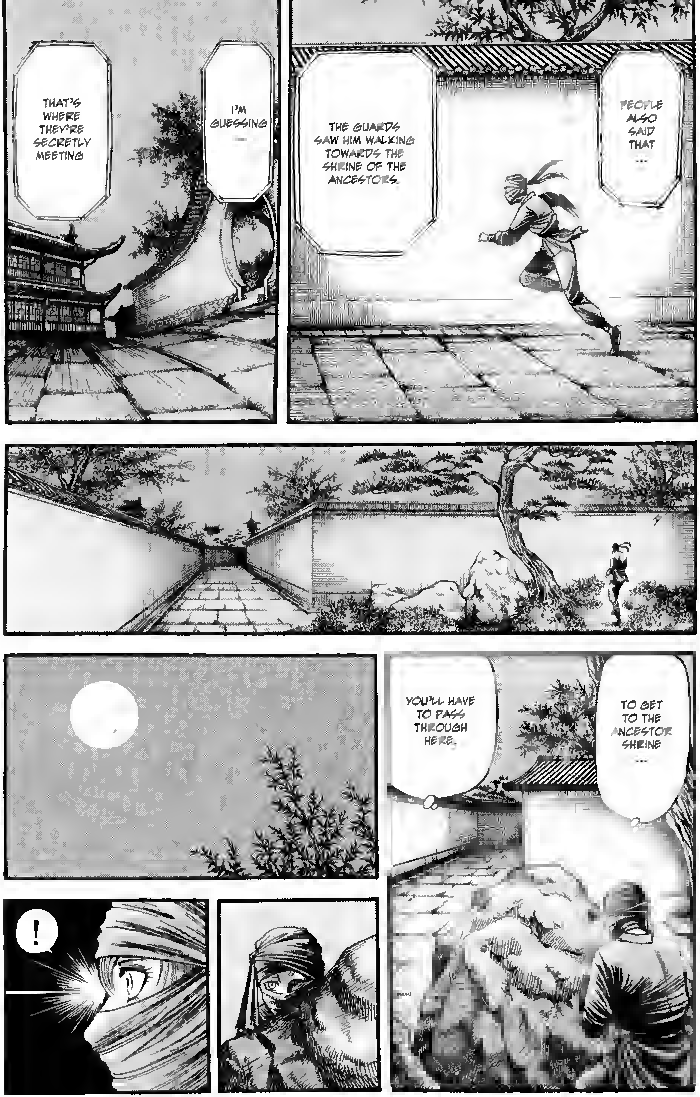
THE EMPEROR IS VERY COLD TOWARDS ALL THE CONCUBINES
AND IT'S NOT JUST US
AND THE EMPEROR HASN'T PICKED HIS QUEEN YET
IT'S RARE TO BE CALLED ON BY HIM
!
THE EMPEROR HAS FALLEN FOR ANOTHER GIRL
PEOPLE ARE SAYING THAT
REALLY?
BUT IT'S JUST ANOTHER RUMOR.
YES!

THIS MYSTERIOUS GIRL IS NONE OTHER THAN THE DRAGON MAIDEN OF LEGEND.
THE RUMOR IS THAT ...
BUT THAT'S JUST GOSSIP!
THERE'S NO EVIDENCE TO PROVE IT TRUE.
OH.
DON'T THINK OF IT LIKE THAT.
OH, HOW TERRIBLE OF ME...
SAYING ALL THIS STUFF MAKES ME JUST AS BAD AS THE OTHERS.

YOU MUST TELL ME MORE
THAT'S A VERY INTERESTING STORY

I'VE ACTUALLY SEEN

THE EMPEROR LEAVING HIS BED CHAMBER AT NIGHT
TO GO SOMEWHERE I DON'T KNOW


PEOPLE ALSO SAID THAT ...
THE GUARDS SAW HIM WALKING TOWARDS THE SHRINE OF THE ANCESTORS.
I'M GUESSING ...
THAT'S WHERE THEY'RE SECRETLY MEETING
TO GET TO THE ANCESTOR SHRINE ...
YOU'LL HAVE TO PASS THROUGH HERE.
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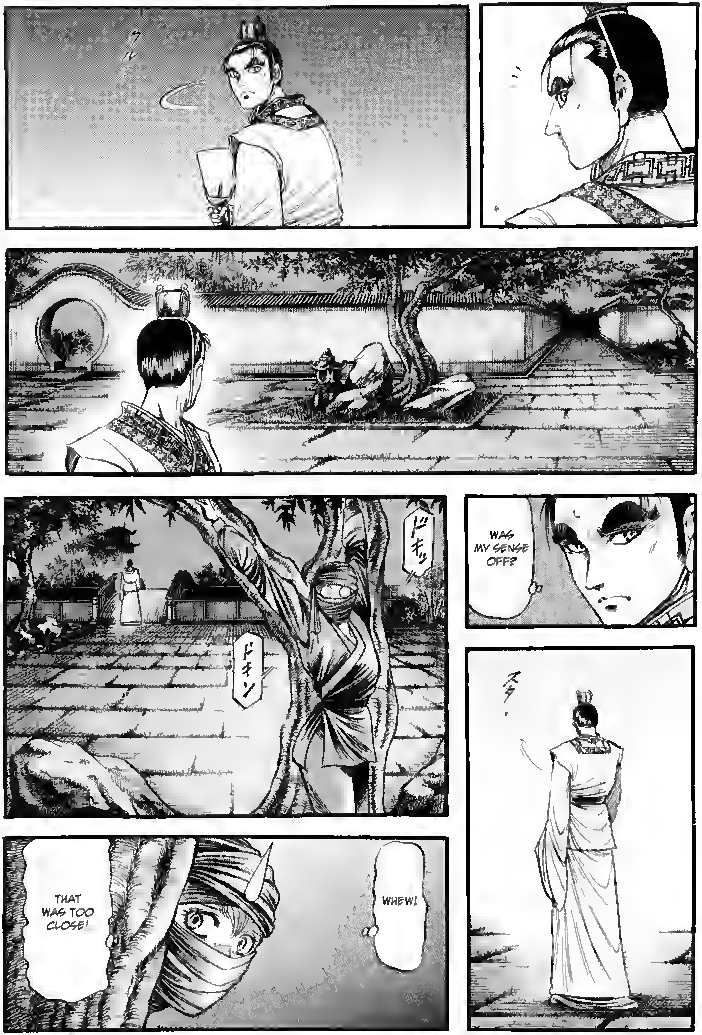
THAT'S THE EMPEROR...
SO IT'S TRUE...
HE'S...
HEADING TOWARDS THE SHRINE...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WAS MY SENSE OFF?
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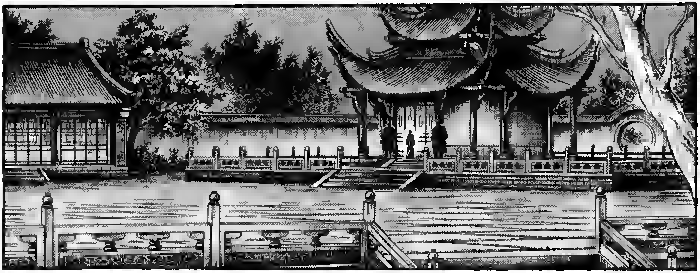
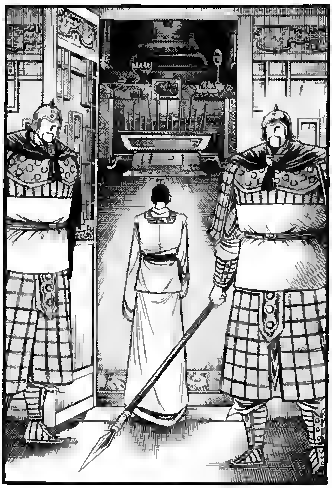
スタ
WHEW!
THAT WAS TOO CLOSE!

I ENTERED THE PALACE TO HELP THE EMPEROR.
SO WHY AM I SECRETLY FOLLOWING HIM LATE AT NIGHT?
OH...
WHY AM I DOING THIS
SIR DRA-GON'S SON
I'VE BEEN SEARCHING EVERYWHERE FOR A SPECIAL PERSON.
SHE'S THE DRAGON'S SON'S FRIEND. THE DRAGON MAIDEN.
HE'S TRYING SO HARD TO FIND THE DRAGON MAIDEN.
MAYBE I CAN FIND SOMETHING OUT TONIGHT

I REALLY WANT TO HELP HIM
IF THE RUMORS ARE TRUE, THEN I NEED TO TELL HIM.T



THE EMPEROR HAS ENTERED THE SHRINE



THE PLACE IS VERY STRICTLY GUARDED
CAN THE DRAGON MAIDEN REALLY BE INSIDE?

IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT TO SNEAK IN
IT'S TROUBLESOME ENOUGH FOR ONE NIGHT
OH?

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WHAT IS THIS THING ...
WHAT...

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MO...
MONS
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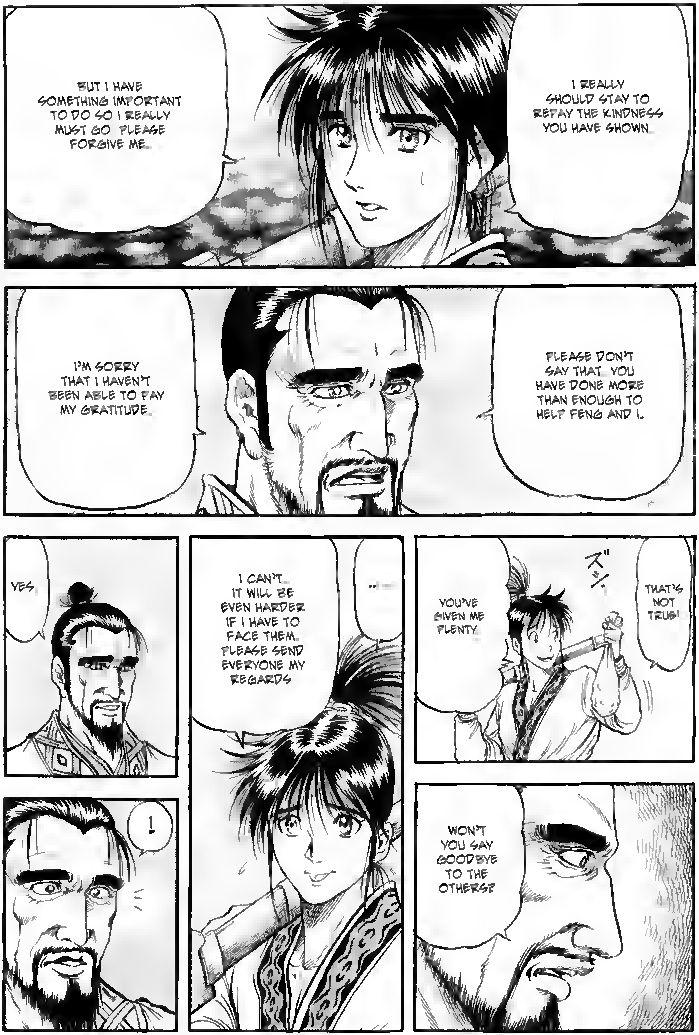
!!!

QI RESI-DEN-CE
YOU
REALLY CAN'T STAY?
GOOD BYE...
I THANK YOU FOR THE HOSPITALITY...
NO
WE'D AGREED UPON THIS THAT I WOULD ONLY STAY TILL MISS FENG ENTERED THE PALACE...


I REALLY SHOULD STAY TO REPAY THE KINDNESS YOU HAVE SHOWN.
BUT I HAVE SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO DO SO I REALLY MUST GO. PLEASE FORGIVE ME.
PLEASE DON'T SAY THAT. YOU HAVE DONE MORE THAN ENOUGH TO HELP FENG AND I.
I'M SORRY THAT I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO PAY MY GRATITUDE.
THAT'S NOT TRUE!
ズッ
YOU'VE GIVEN ME PLENTY.
...
I CAN'T. IT WILL BE EVEN HARDER IF I HAVE TO FACE THEM. PLEASE SEND EVERYONE MY REGARDS
YES.
WON'T YOU SAY GOODBYE TO THE OTHERS?
!

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FENG HANDED ME THIS TO GIVE TO YOU.
OH!
AND ASKED ME TO DELIVER THIS TO YOU PERSONALLY.
SHE CALLED ME INTO THE HAREM.
A LETTER?
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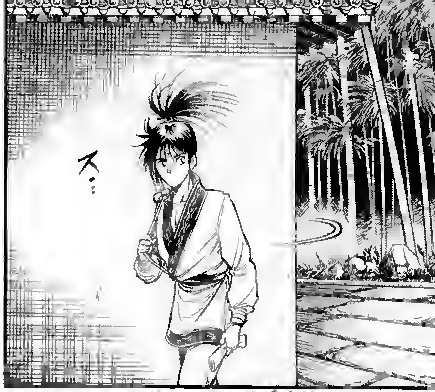
FENG EVEN ASKED ME NOT TO OPEN IT.
IT'S STRANGE
YES!
SO I HAVEN'T!

MISS FENG JUST WANTED TO SHOW HER GRATITUDE AND SAY GOODBYE
OH
WHAT DID SHE SAY?
HAVE A SAFE JOURNEY
SO GOODBYE... I WILL TAKE MY LEAVE.
I WOULD'VE BEEN MUCH MORE ASSURED HAD HE STAYED...
IT'S TOO BAD...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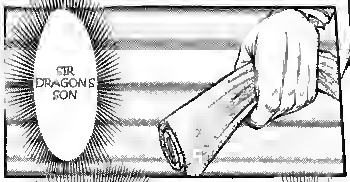
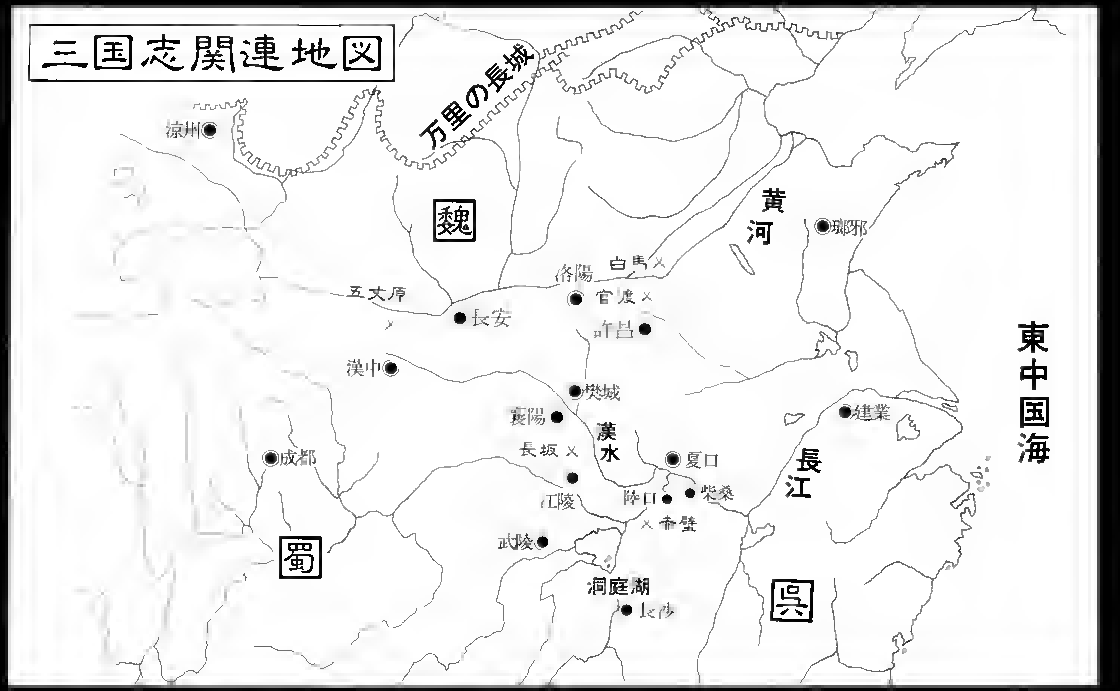
MISS FENG


SIR DRAGON'S SON

TODAY I ACCI DENTALLY OVER HEARD
SOME INFORMATION ABOUT THE DRAGON MAIDEN

I WILL INVESTIGATE FURTHER. UNTIL THEN, PLEASE WAIT AT MY FATHER'S PLACE
I MIGHT SOON BE ABLE TO FIND OUT WHERE SHE IS
MISS FENG! PLEASE DON'T BE TOO HASTY!
I HAVE A BAD FEELING...


三国志関連地図
万里の長城
涼州
魏
黄河
瑯邪
洛陽
白馬
五丈原
官渡
長安
許昌
漢中
樊城
襄陽
漢水
建業
長坂
夏口
成都
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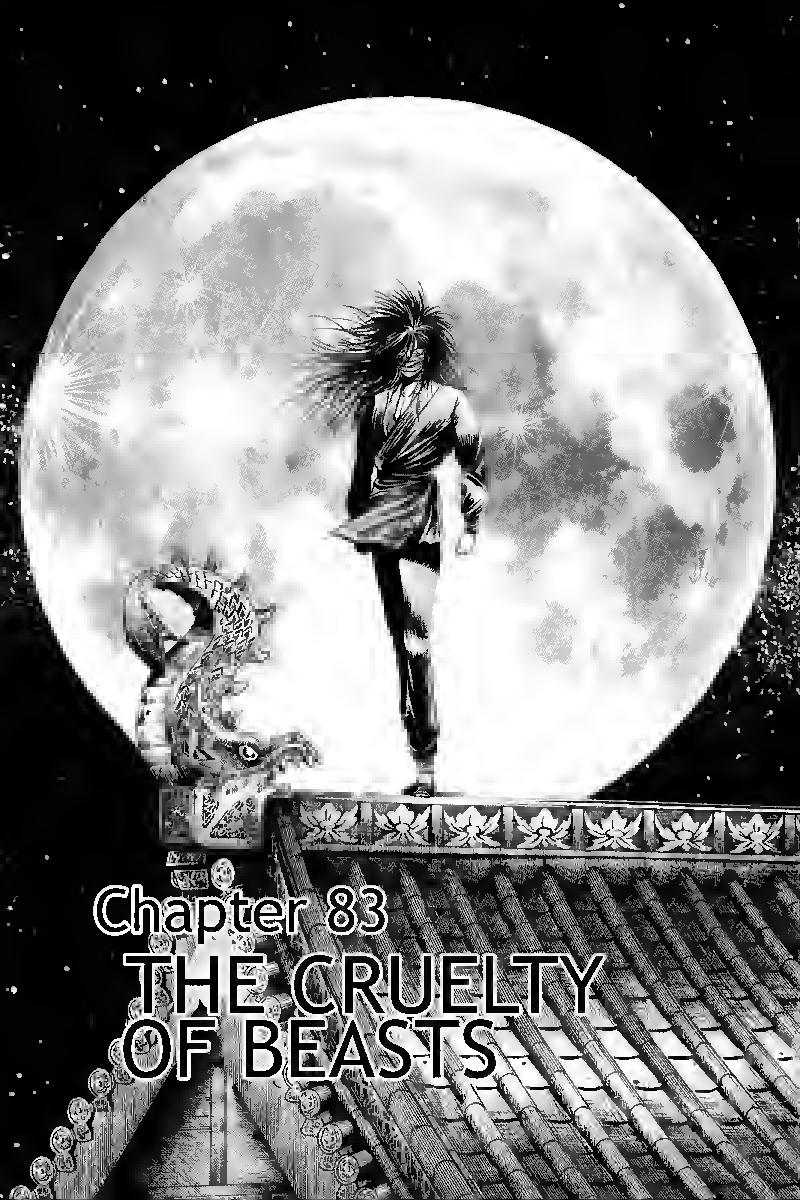
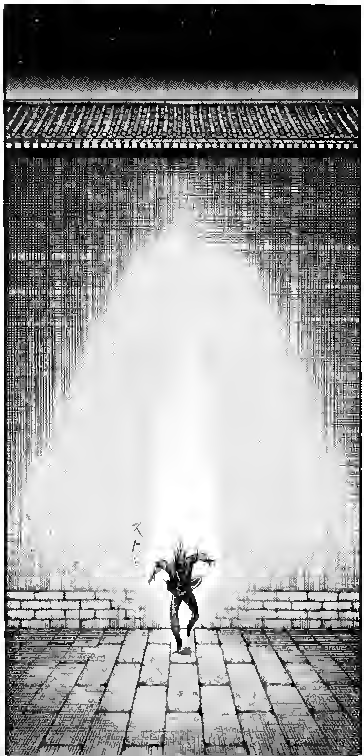
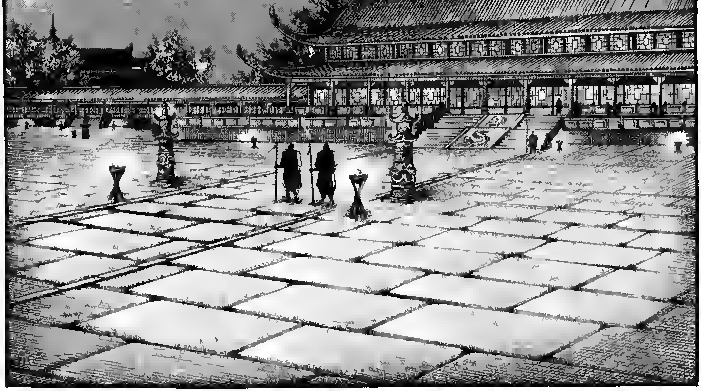

Chapter 83
THE CRUELTY OF BEASTS

ROYAL PALACE





Ugh!

I MUST HAVE IMAGINED IT
NOTHING IS THERE

WHAT IS IT?
HUH?

DID YOU SEE SOMETHING JUST NOW?
HEY

VERY FAINT ...
BUT I CAN DEFINITELY FEEL IT ...

A MURDEROUS ENERGY COMING FROM THE HAREM

AS FAST AS I POSSIBLY CAN
I HAVE TO GET TO IT ...

*RANDOM MONSTER NOISES
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キヒヒッ
UGH
!!

WHAT IS THIS MONSTER DOING IN XU CHANG?
A GIANT GORILLA... HOW SCARY

GRRR
HE—
I THINK
MISS FENG IS STILL ALIVE
SHE
MUST HAVE BEEN CAPTURED BY THIS MONSTER WHILE LOOKING FOR MAGAMI
IF MAGAMI IS HERE THEN IT MUST HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH ZHONG DA.
IF MISS FENG FALLS INTO ZHONG DA'S HANDS DEATH IS CERTAIN
BECAUSE I TOLD HER
BECAUSE SHE KNOWS I'M THE DRAGON'S SON THAT THIS HAPPENED

NO! I WILL NOT LET HER DIE FOR MY CAUSE.
IT'S MY FAULT ...
RELEASE HER!
OR DON'T SAY I DIDN'T WARN YOU.
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ヒュン
ヒュン
WHAT?
IT'S THROWING HER AT ME!
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!
FLEE
IT'S PLANNING TO
ATTACK THE MOMENT I CATCH MISS FENG
I CAN'T DODGE THIS

UGH
UGH
HMPH!

UHH
UHH

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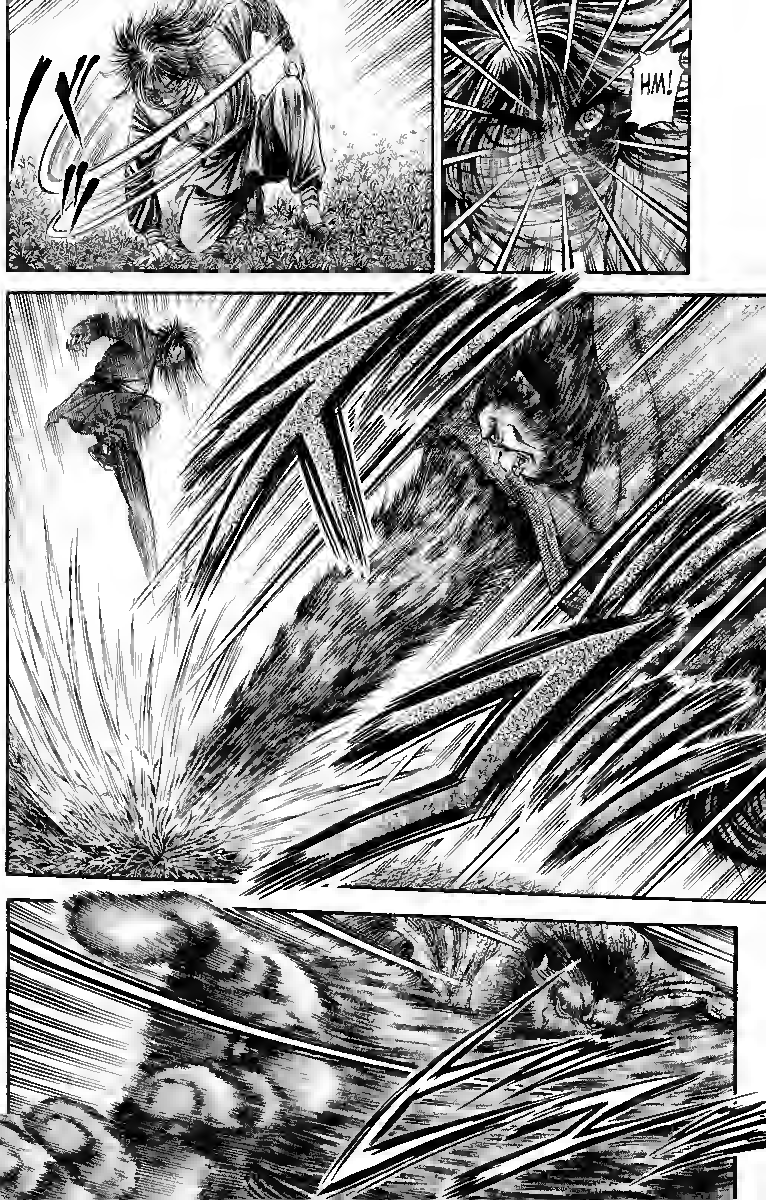
ダッ!
HOW...
CAN IT BE SO FAST?

AND CLEVER ENOUGH TO DEVISE AN ATTACK STRATEGY...
IT SEEMS THAT THIS BEAST HAS BEEN TRAINED TO FIGHT

!!


HM!

OH...

AGH
AH
UGH
EH

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ALMOST BROKE MY NECK
MY HEAD
GGRAA
?!

*YEAH, KNOW. DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO ME EITHER.
OHH
IT'S QUITE FAST TOO.
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I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT HUMANS ARE CAPABLE OF!
NOW IT'S MY TURN!
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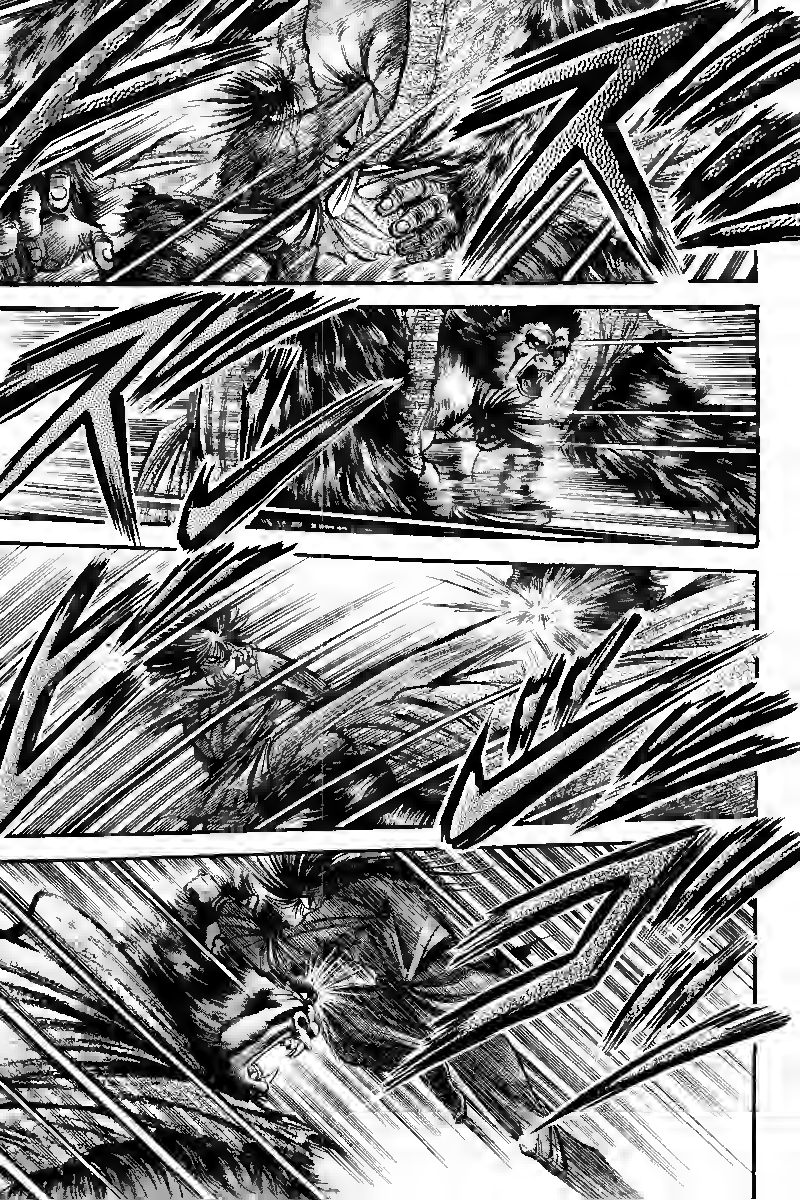
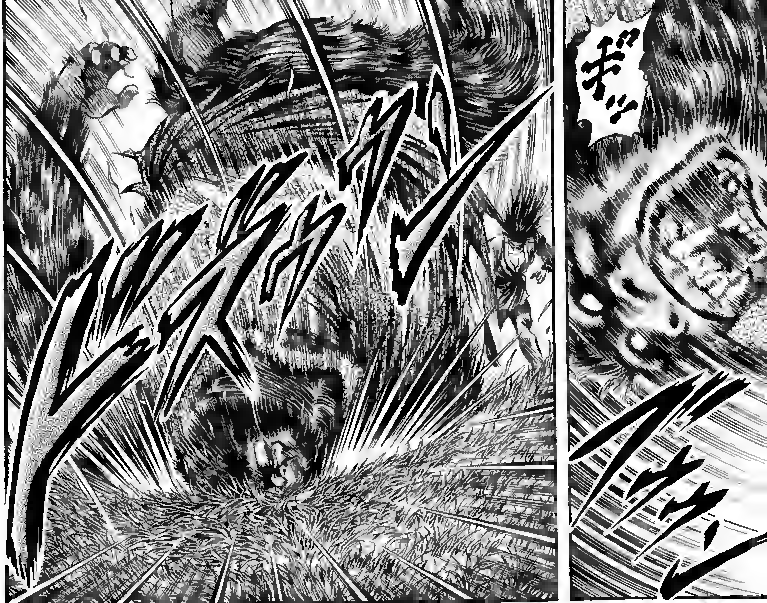


IS IT DEAD ?
WHAT A MONSTER ...
NORMAL BEINGS WOULD'VE BEEN KILLED.

MY HEAD STILL HURTS
SEEMS LIKE THE INJURY IS QUITE BAD
I'LL BE IN TROUBLE IF THIS CONTINUES
LOOKS LIKE I'LL HAVE TO USE KI ATTACKS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A BEAST WILL NEVER UNDERSTAND THIS.
YOU CAN'T BEAT KI WITH BRUTE FORCE.

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IT DOESN'T UNDER-STAND
WHY IT WAS THROWN

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I'M ABLE TO GUESS THE PATH OF THE ATTACKS.
THE MOVE-MENT OF INNER ENERGY

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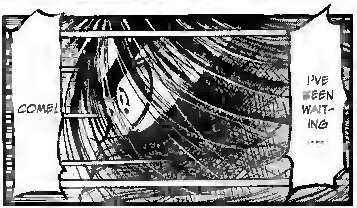
TOO BAD YOU'RE NOT AS FAST AS BEFORE
NOT KNOWING WHAT FEAR IS— IT'S JUST TRYING TO GRAB ME

TAKE THIS!


COME!
I'VE BEEN WAITING

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ENERGY RELEASE!

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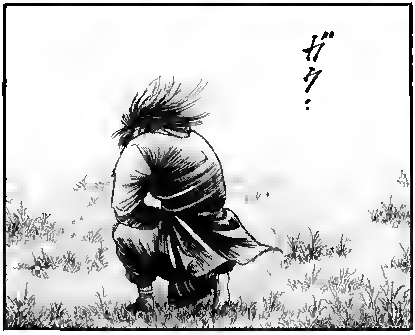
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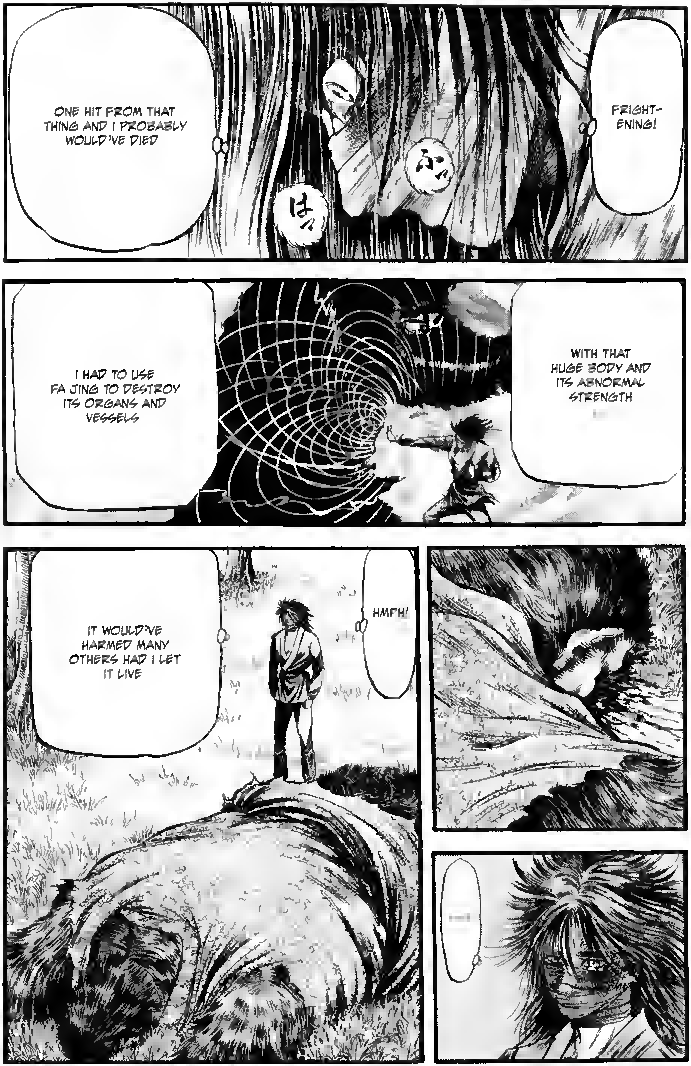
ONE HIT FROM THAT THING AND I PROBABLY WOULD'VE DIED
FRIGHT-ENING!
I HAD TO USE FA JING TO DESTROY ITS ORGANS AND VESSELS
WITH THAT HUGE BODY AND ITS ABNORMAL STRENGTH
IT WOULD'VE HARMED MANY OTHERS HAD I LET IT LIVE
HMPH!

バサ…
MISS FENG
UH…
GOOD
SHE'S JUST UNCONSCIOUS.
SORRY
YOU GOT HURT BECAUSE OF ME.

KILLING INTENT!

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WHAT?!
THERE ARE TWO MORE?!

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I HAVEN'T RECOVERED MY ENERGY
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UGH
I CAN'T AGAINST THESE BEASTS
TO FIGHT WHILE PROTECTING MISS FENG
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UGH...
FROM BEHIND? WHO?
HUH?

HA HA HA ...
BACK OFF, BEASTS!
THIS KID IS MY PREY.
YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO KILL HIM.

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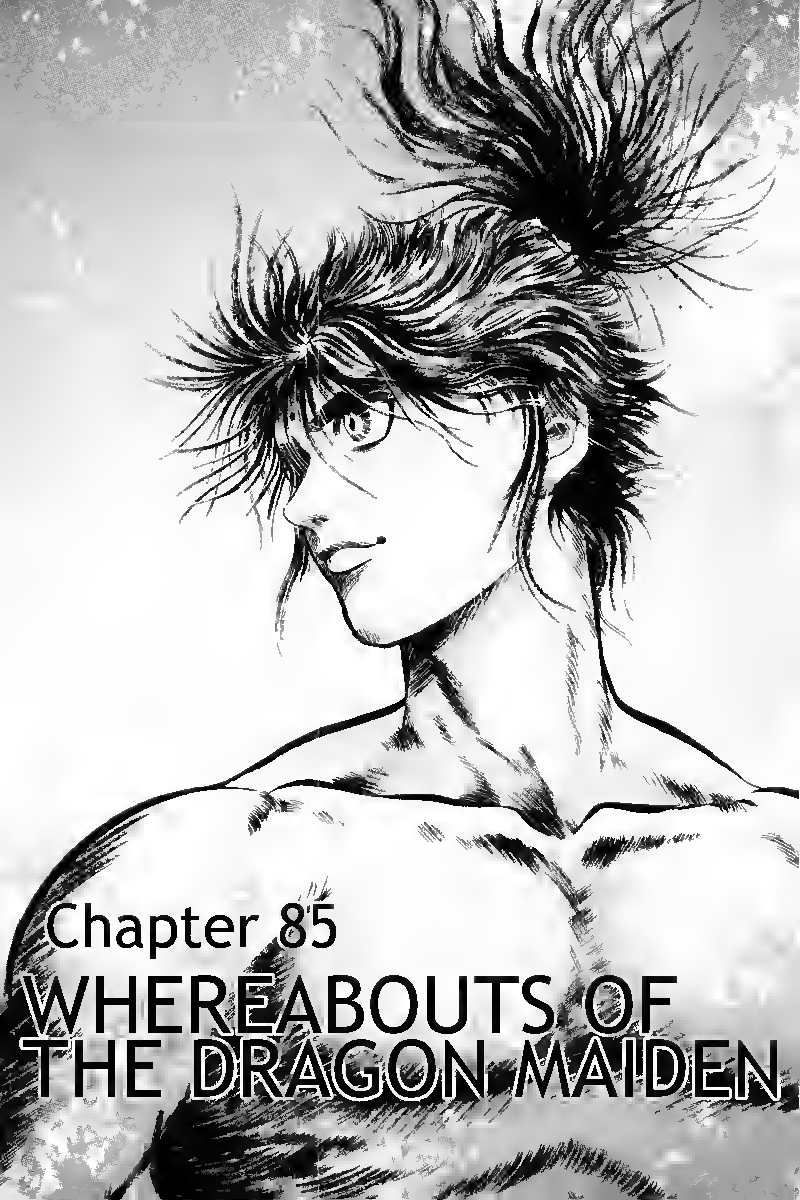
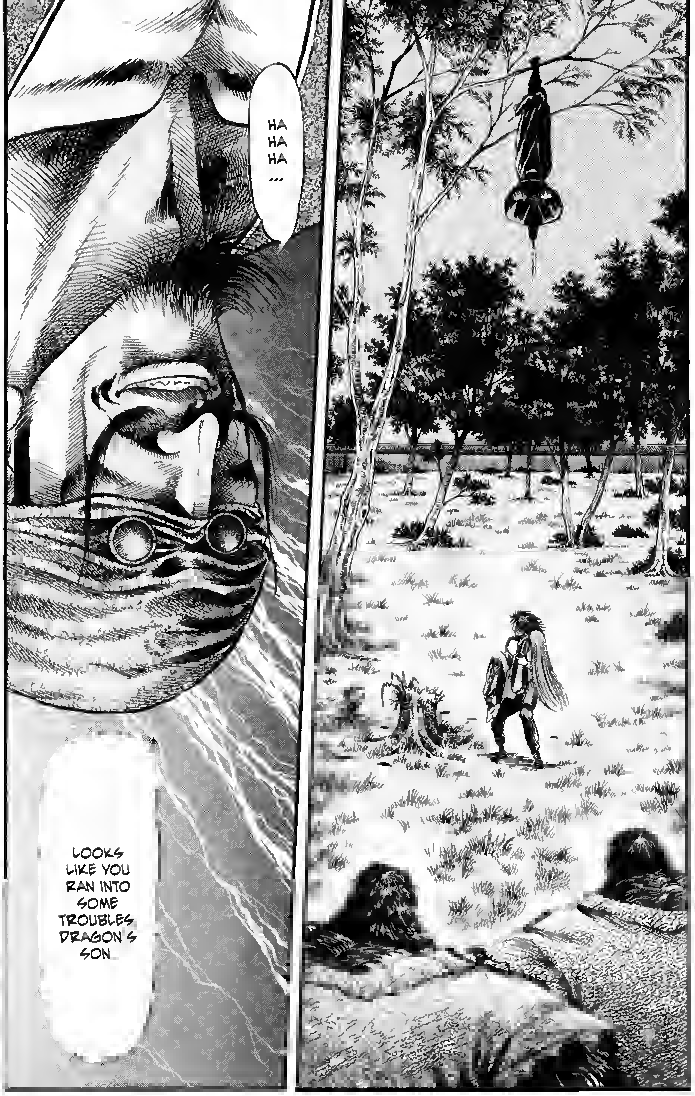

Chapter 85
WHEREABOUTS OF THE DRAGON MAIDEN


HA HA HA ...
LOOKS LIKE YOU RAN INTO SOME TROUBLES, DRAGON'S SON.

AND WHY DOES HE WANT TO HELP ME?
WHY IS HE HERE?
THE ONE WHO TRIED TO KILL MISS FENG
HE'S
GRRAH
TIME FOR A LITTLE PAYBACK.
I LOST TO YOU LOT A FEW DAYS AGO ...
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HOW SCARY!
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NO!
YOU CAN'T TAKE THEM HEAD ON!

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HOW WAS THAT?
I CAN MOVE IN THE AIR FREELY.
YOU'RE JUST BEASTS WHO WON'T UNDERSTAND.
STAND-ING IN THE AIR...
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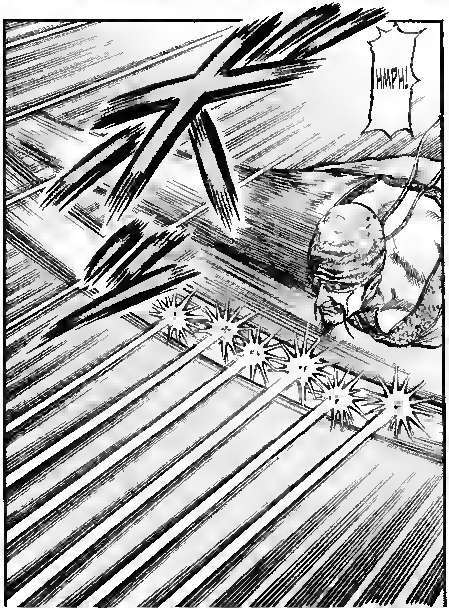
HE MUST BE USING THE SAME TECHNIQUE TO MOVE IN THE AIR ON THIN THREADS
THAT'S RIGHT. BLACK TIGER...
BUT...
BEING UP THERE MIGHT NOT BE SAFE ENOUGH.
THESE BEASTS
UNLESS THEY CAN'T JUMP THAT HIGH...


HAPPA!

I KNEW YOU WERE GOING TO JUMP
CREATURES LIKE YOU CAN'T THINK AHEAD
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OH
YOU DARE TO USE YOUR BARE ARMS TO BLOCK MY DAGGER
NO WONDER HE WAS HAVING PROBLEMS
THESE BEASTS AREN'T THAT SIMPLE TO DEAL WITH

A GOOD STRATEGY
HE LURED THEM UP INTO THE AIR TO ATTACK MORE EASILY
I SEE
WHY ARE YOU STILL HERE?
THOSE POISONOUS DARTS ARE ENOUGH TO KILL A MAN INSTANTLY
BUT THEY DON'T SEEM TO BE AFFECTED THAT MUCH
OH?!
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TAKE THIS CHANCE AND RUN
THEY WILL BE OUT OF IT SOON

BUT ONLY TEMPORARILY PARALYZED ...
THEY'VE BEEN POISONED ...

ARE YOU HELPING US?
WHY...
OH...
I'M THE ONLY ONE ALLOWED TO KILL YOU!
DIDN'T I SAY
LET ME KNOW THE NAME OF THE PERSON WHO WANTS TO KILL ME.
THEN AT LEAST
I SEE.

* CLINT EASTWOOD

GRRR
GRRR
NO POINT IN STAYING ANY LONGER
SORRY...
I KILLED YOUR FRIEND.
BUT YOU ARE BEING USED BY SOMEBODY.
WELL, I CAN'T STAY AND CHAT.
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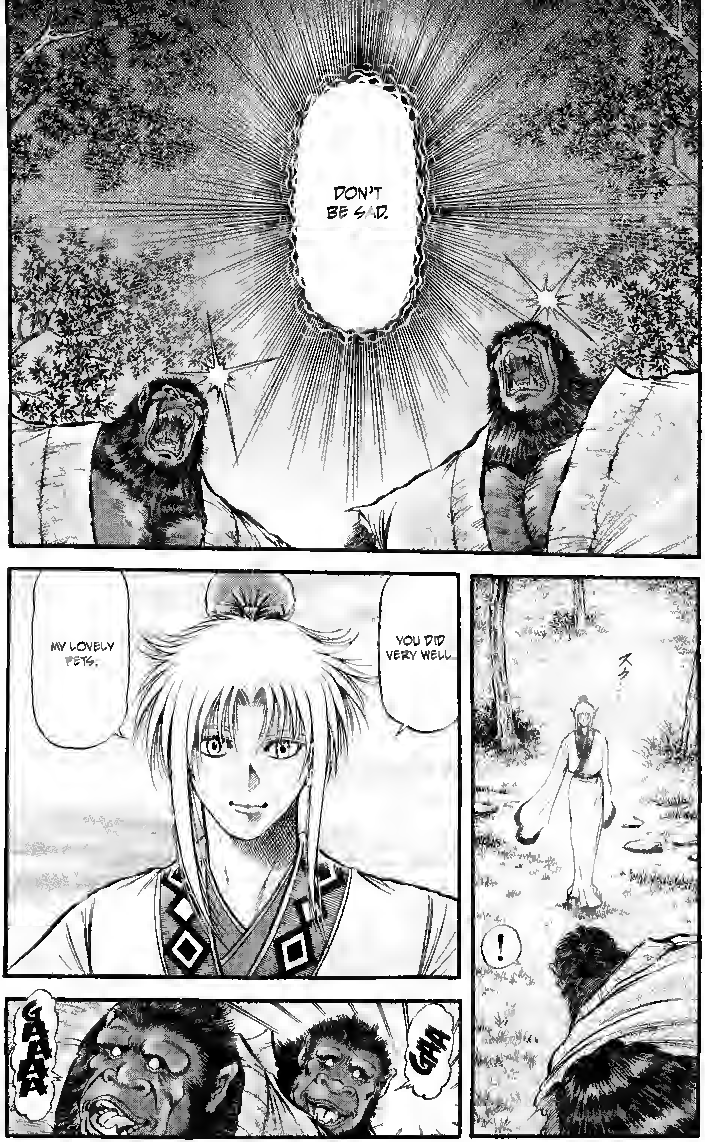
DON'T BE SAD.
MY LOVELY PETS.
YOU DID VERY WELL.
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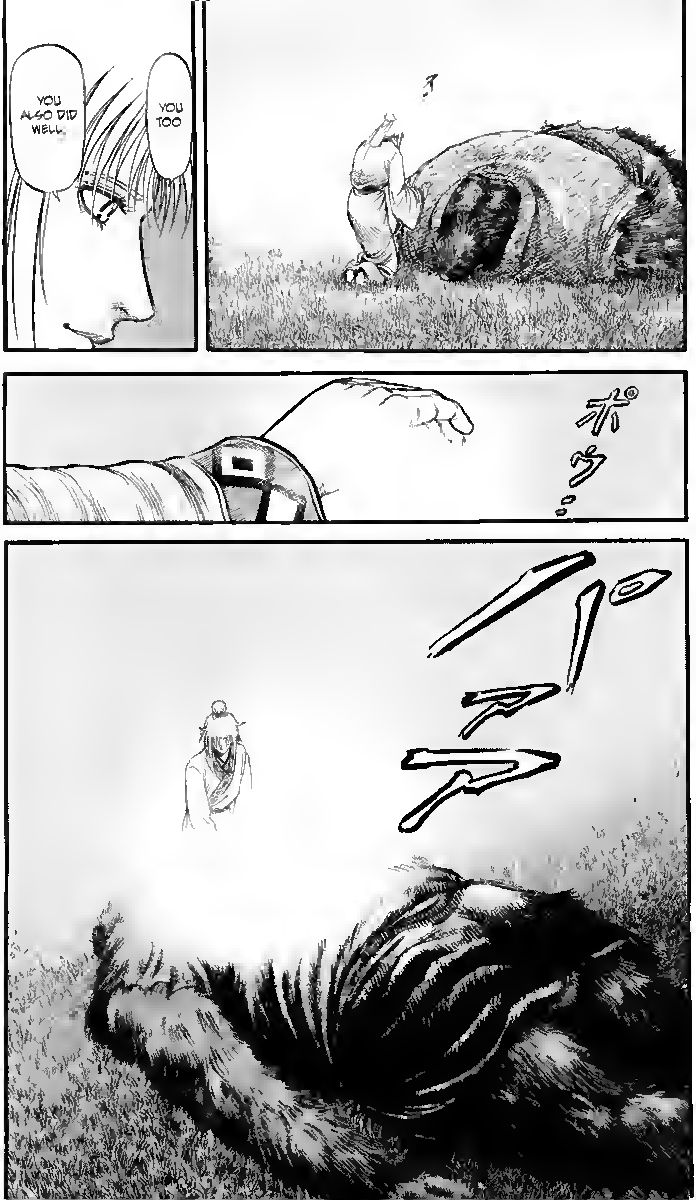
YOU ALSO DID WELL
YOU TOO
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SFX. HEARTBEATS
GET UP.
YOU'RE ALL BETTER NOW
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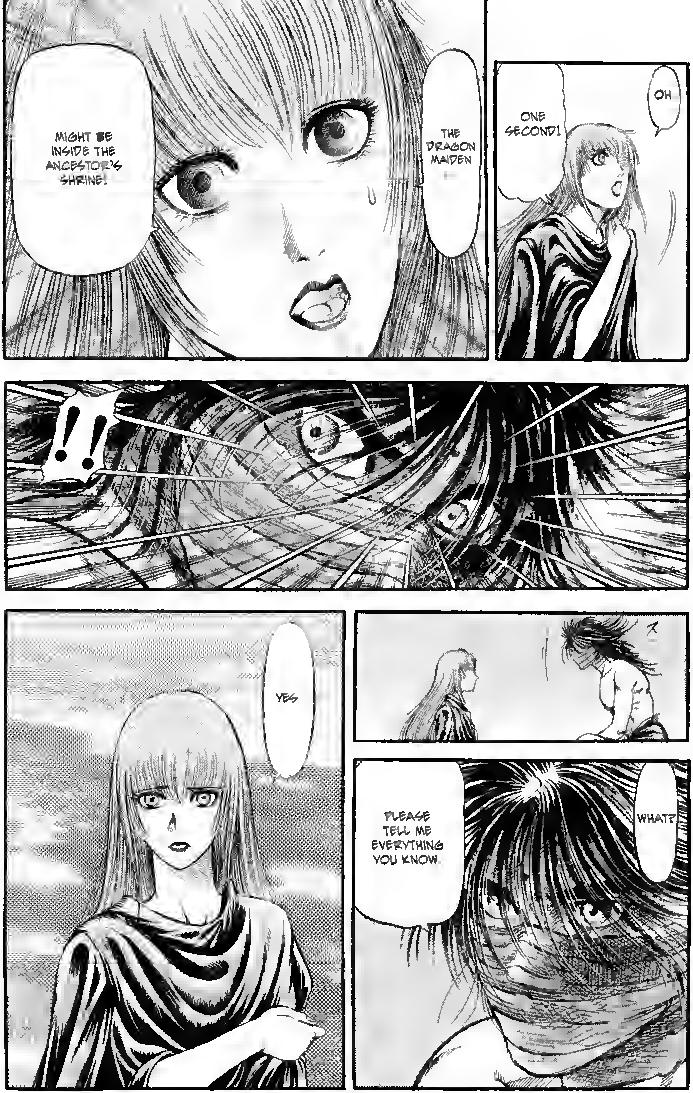
IT'S A SHAME
WOULD HAVE BEEN PERFECT HAD YOU DIED BY MY BITS' HANDS.

DRAGON'S SON
YOUR EXISTENCE IS THE BIGGEST THREAT TO THE HAN DYNASTY.

THIS IS
THE GARDEN WITHIN THE HAREM.
OH! SIR DRAG-ON'S SON!
UGH
U
MISS FENG
YOU'RE AWAKE

I THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART
SIR DRAGON'S SON HAD TO COME RESCUE ME ONCE AGAIN
THE HAREM
PLEASE DON'T DO ANYTHING RASH.
YOU WERE JUST ACCEPTED INTO THE ROYAL PALACE
LORD XUAN DE AND EVERY ONE ELSE
LIKE YOU AND MINISTER QI
THIS IS A PERSONAL MATTER. I DON'T WANT TO DRAG OTHERS INTO IT
I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR INTENTIONS. BUT I WILL DEFINITELY FIND THE DRAGON MAIDEN.
I WAS BEING TOO CARELESS NOW I'M REGRETTING MY ACTIONS I'M TRULY SORRY
I UNDER-STAND

OH.
I DID GET ANOTHER CHANCE TO ADMIRE YOUR BEAUTY.
OH, DON'T MEN-TION IT.
HA HA. I—
SIR DRAGON'S SON!
*YEAH LOST IN TRANSLATION OR CENSORED
PLEASE TRY TO FOCUS ON YOUR OWN GOAL. DON'T RISK YOURSELF FOR MY SAKE.
I HAVE TO GO.
YOU'RE VERY HONEST.
I DON'T LIKE TO LIE


OH
ONE SECOND!
THE DRAGON MAIDEN
MIGHT BE INSIDE THE ANCESTOR'S SHRINE!
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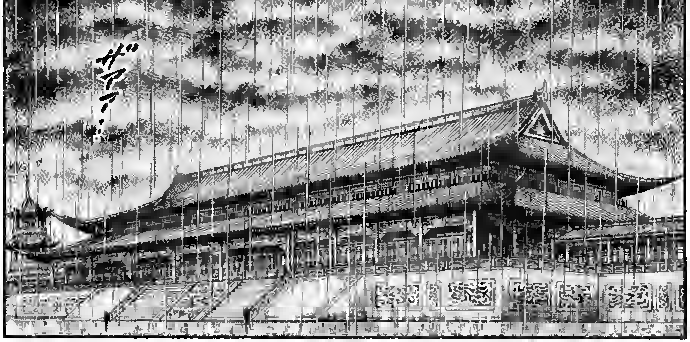
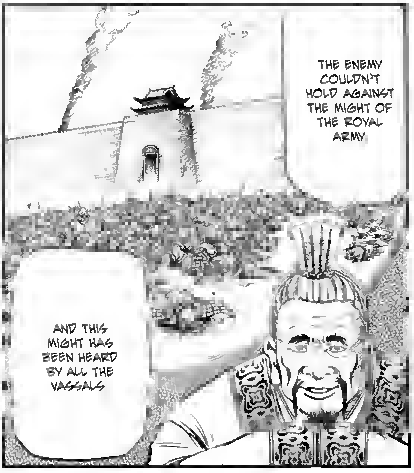
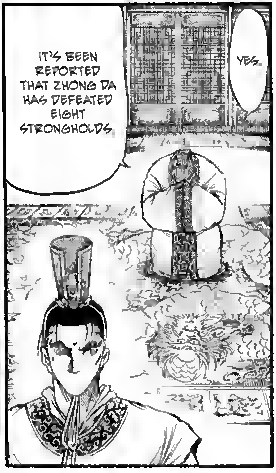
WHAT?
PLEASE TELL ME EVERYTHING YOU KNOW.
YES

HA HA
THE DRAGON'S SON
NOT ONLY A GREAT FIGHTER BUT ALSO CARRIES A GREAT RESPONSIBILITY
I WILL LET YOU BE THE ONE WHO SHAKES UP THE HAN DYNASTY
THEN I WILL DEFEAT YOU. THAT WAY, MY NAME WILL BE FOREVER REMEMBERED IN HISTORY!


HA!

ZHONG DA WILL SOON ENTER CAO CAO'S SHOU XIAN?
REALLY?


THE ENEMY COULDN'T HOLD AGAINST THE MIGHT OF THE ROYAL ARMY.
AND THIS MIGHT HAS BEEN HEARD BY ALL THE VASSALS


IT'S BEEN REPORTED THAT ZHONG DA HAS DEFEATED EIGHT STRONGHOLDS.
YES.

IT SEEMS NOBODY CAN STOP ZHONG DA.
THE BORDERS ARE FURTHER EXPANDED EVERYTIME HE MAKE A MOVE.
IMPRESSIVE.
SOMETIMES... I'M AFRAID.
HE'S EVEN MORE CUNNING THAN CAO CAO.
HMPH!
HIGHNESS!
WHO CAN SAY HE WON'T TRY TO USURP THE THRONE?!
HE'S JUST LIKE CAO CAO..
IT'S NOTHING. YOU MAY LEAVE.
THANK YOU.

TO HAVE ZHONG DA REPLACED.
PERHAPS I HAVE TO BE READY

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THE HUNGER FOR POWER.
IT'S FRIGHT-ENGING…

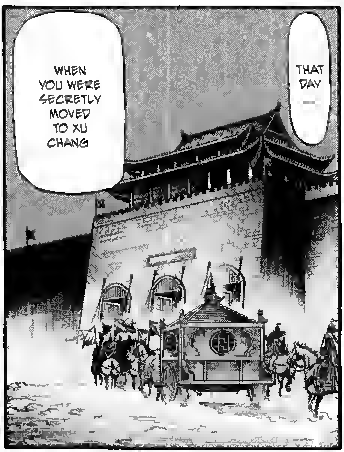
EVEN IF I SUSPECT HIM AS THE EMPEROR I STILL HAVE TO SHOW A KIND FACE.
I MUST NOT LET ANYBODY KNOW OF MY INTENTION.
I REALLY AM LIVING IN CONFLICTS

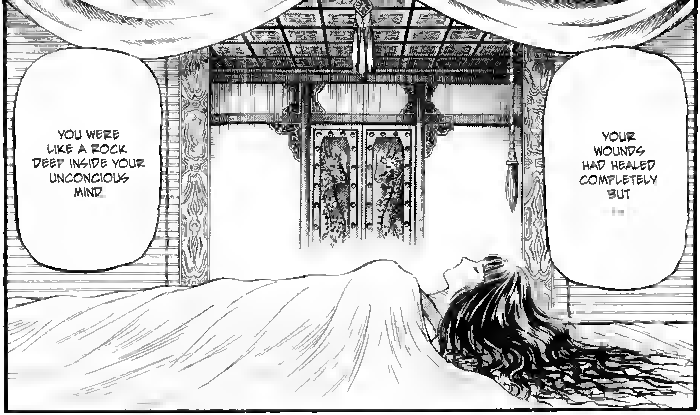
FOR MORE POWER. EVEN FRIENDS TURN AGAINST ONE ANOTHER.
WHO CAN I TRUST

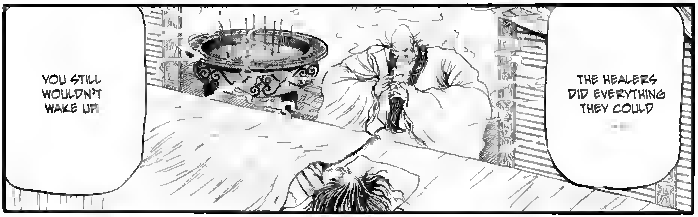
IT'S SO LONELY UP HERE BY MYSELF
BUT THIS LONELINESS IS THE GOAL OF SO MANY PEOPLE.
THIS PATH THAT I HAVE CHOSEN
SOMETIMES I REGRET TAKING IT
BUT WHY DO MY INSIDES
STILL BOIL WITH SUCH A HUNGER?
EVERY-THING BEGAN THE MOMENT I MET HER...
THAT WAS WHEN I FIRST FELT THIS CRAZY THIRST FOR POWER.

DRAGON MAIDEN
EVERYTHING IS FOR YOU, EVEN AS YOU LAY ASLEEP

YOU WERE DEEP IN SLEEP
TOTALLY UNAWARE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND YOU.


THAT DAY —
WHEN YOU WERE SECRETLY MOVED TO XU CHANG


YOUR WOUNDS HAD HEALED COMPLETELY BUT
YOU WERE LIKE A ROCK DEEP INSIDE YOUR UNCONCIOUS MIND


THE HEALERS DID EVERYTHING THEY COULD
YOU STILL WOULDN'T WAKE UP!

SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE WAIT-ING
EYES SHUT CLOSE, WAITING FOR SOMEONE

IS IT HIM YOU'RE WAITING FOR?
IS IT ...
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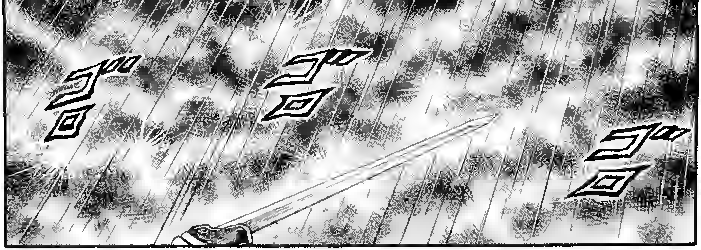
HIM!
THE DRAGON'S SON?!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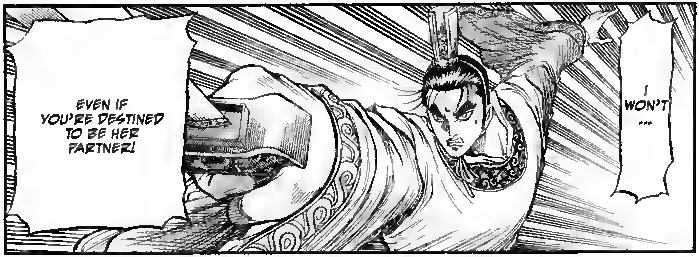
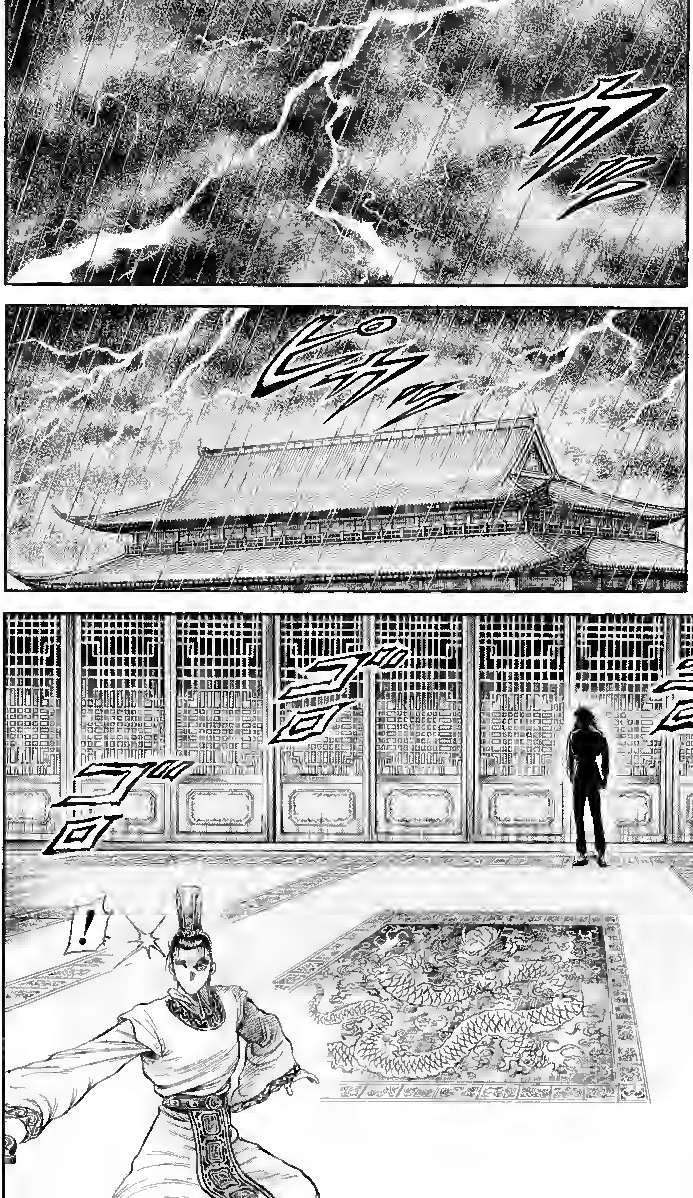

I WON'T ...
EVEN IF YOU'RE DESTINED TO BE HER PARTNER!

ANYONE WHO TRIES TO TAKE THE DRAGON MAIDEN AWAY FROM ME ...
I WILL KILL THAT PERSON!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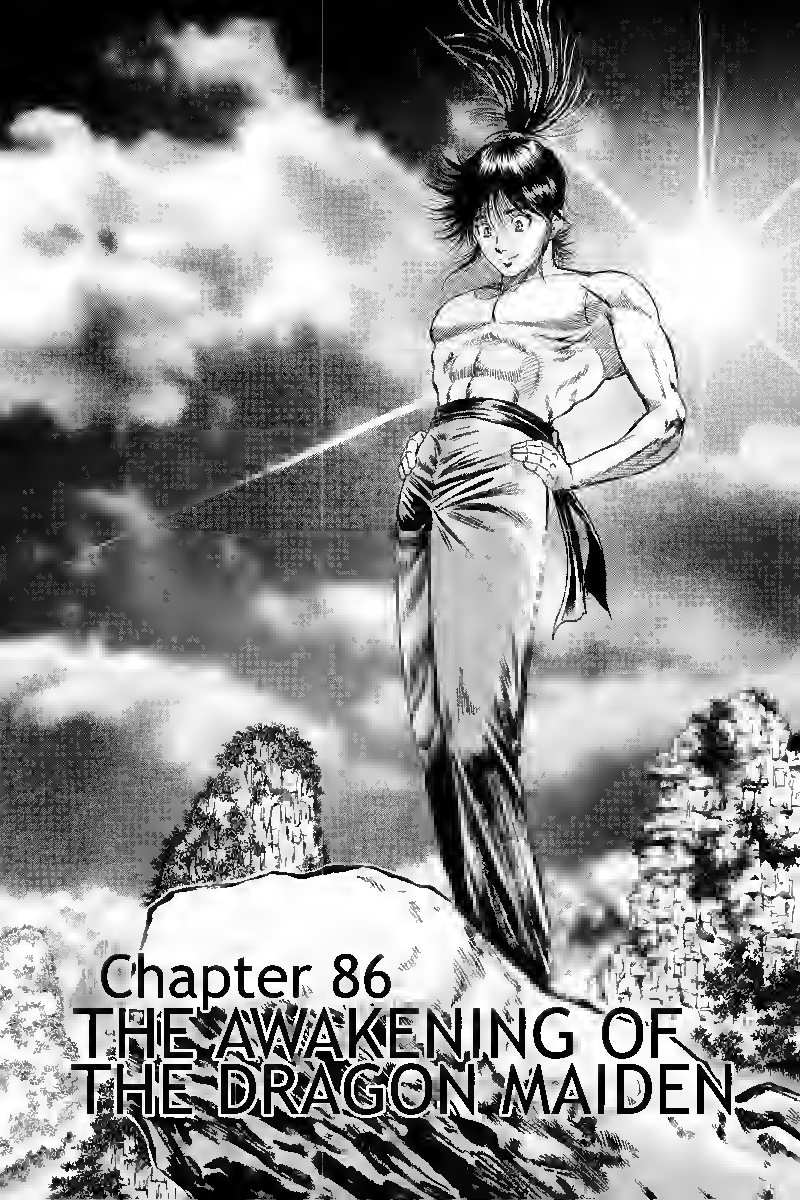
OH!
THAT SHADOW
SO...
IT'S REALLY TRUE

MASUMI
IS HERE IN XU CHANG.
WHO ARE YOU?!
HOW DARE YOU ENTER?!
THE PERSON WHO CALLED ME HERE
WAS YOU EMPEROR
!

I'M HERE TO TAKE BACK ...
WHAT YOU STOLE FROM ME! THE DRAGON MAIDEN!
YOU..
CAN YOU BE ...

I AM THE DRAGON'S SON!
YES.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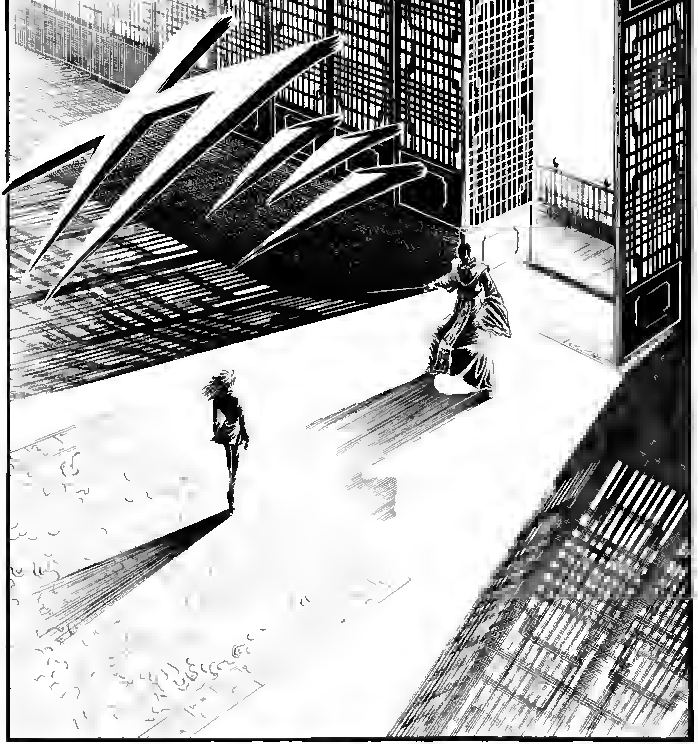
THE AWAKENING OF THE DRAGON MAIDEN



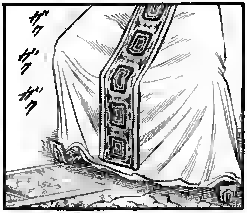
THE DRAGON'S SON?!
ARE YOU...

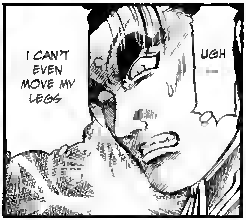
YOU...

THAT'S RIGHT.
WHERE ARE YOU HIDING THE DRAGON MAIDEN, EMPEROR?
MASUMI
AH...

MY BODY IS SHAKING
UGH
I HAVE A WEIRD FEELING
WHAT SCARY EYES
SO THIS IS THE POWER OF A LIVING LEGEND.
HE'S THE DRAGON'S SON
I WAS RIGHT
HMPH
SHE'D DEFINITELY BE HERE IF SHE WERE ALIVE.
SHE FELL INTO THE YANGTZE RIVER ALONG WITH THE BLACK TIGER.

AH!
PLEASE RETURN THE DRAGON MAIDEN TO ME!
YOUR HIGH-NESS!

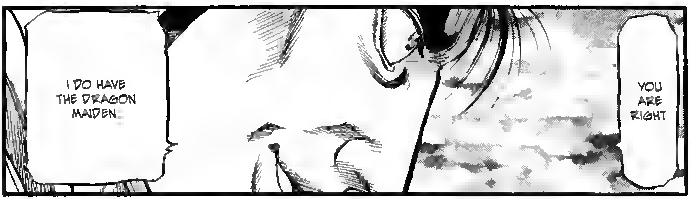



I CAN'T EVEN MOVE MY LEGS
UGH

THE DRAGON'S SON IS JUST ANOTHER THIEF
SNEAKING INTO MY CHAMBER TO EAVESDROP

OH...

UGH...


I DO HAVE THE DRAGON MAIDEN...
YOU ARE RIGHT

THAT'S JUST YOUR FANTASY

THAT SHE BELONGS TO ME!
BUT IT'S GOD'S WILL ...

THE LEGEND OF THE DRAGON'S SON ...
THAT IS THE REAL FANTASY!
THE EMPEROR OF HAN IS THE TRUE LEADER!
I WILL END YOUR LEGEND RIGHT NOW!

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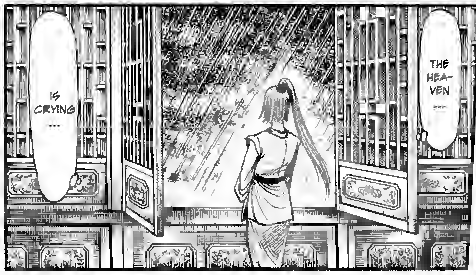
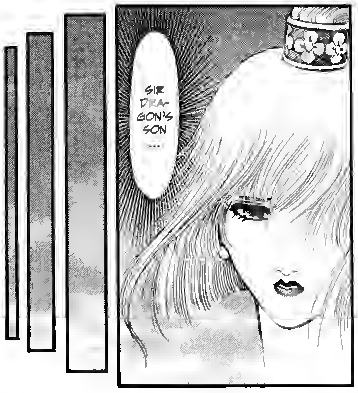

THE HEA-VEN ....
IS CRYING ...


SIR DRA-GON'S SON ...

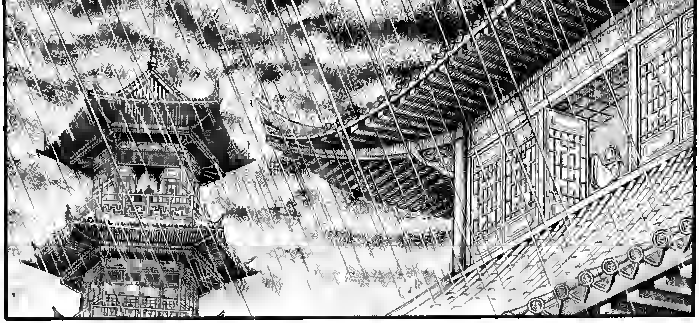
SIR DRAGON'S SON HAS CONFRONTED THE EMPEROR?
CAN IT BE ....

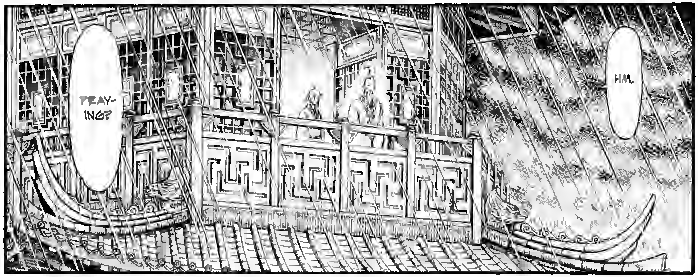
THE EMPEROR SNEAKING INTO THE ANCESTOR SHRINE AT NIGHT?
REALLY ?
MAYBE THAT'S WHERE HE'S KEEPING THE DRAGON MAIDEN.
YES.
THE EMPEROR WILL DEFINITELY KNOW THAT YOU ARE THE CULPRIT.
EVEN IF SHE'S REALLY THERE AND I MANAGE TO RESCUE HER
HUH?
I SEE.
BUT I CAN NOT USE IT
VALUABLE INFOR-MATION

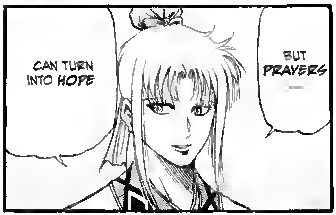
WE'RE LEFT HERE IN XU CHANG BY ZHONG DA.
I THINK THOSE BEASTS
OH...
I'M WORRIED THAT IF ANYTHING HAPPENS, YOUR LIFE WILL BE IN DANGER.
THEY FOUND OUT THAT YOU WERE FOLLOWING THE EMPEROR
I HAVE ANOTHER WAY TO FIND OUT HER LOCATION.
BE-SIDES
I HAVE A LEAD THANKS TO YOU.
DON'T BLAME YOUR-SELF
OH...
BECAUSE OF MY ACTIONS YOU CAN'T EVEN INVESTIGATE
I'M SO STUPID

I WILL MEET WITH THE EMPEROR FACE TO FACE.
AND ASK HIM WHERE THE DRAGON MAIDEN IS.
OH!
WHY?!
DON'T WORRY.
I'M NOT CALLED THE DRAGON'S SON FOR NO REASON
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT ME.
THAT'S DANGE-ROUS!
YOU WILL BE BRUTALLY TORTURED IF YOU GET CAUGHT!

SO HE RISKS HIS OWN LIFE.
DOESN'T WANT ME TO GET IN TROUBLE.
HE...
PLEASE TAKE CARE...
SIR DRAGON'S SON..
PLEASE GRANT YOUR SON THE STRENGTH AND PROTECTION HE NEEDS
OH HEAVEN AND DRAGON ABOVE




PRAY-INGS
HM.

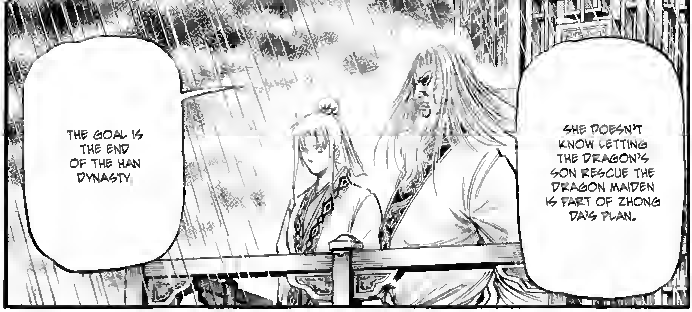

CAN TURN INTO HOPE
BUT PRAYERS

BUT HOPE IS ALSO WEAK.
TRUE

THEY KNOW IT'S USELESS YET THEY KEEP ON PRAYING TO THEIR GOD
HUMANS ARE WEAK.

QI ZHOU'S DAUGHTER IS A GOOD EXAMPLE
SHE ENTERED THE ROYAL PALACE TO FOLLOW HER FATHER'S PATH. BUT SHE STILL CAN'T FORGET THE DRAGON'S SON... TO RISK EVERYTHING FOR ONE PERSON.
IF THE EMPEROR FINDS OUT
NOT ONLY HER, BUT THE ENTIRE QI FAMILY WILL BE EXECUTED
EVEN THOUGH THE EMPEROR LOVES THE DRAGON MAIDEN DEARLY
SHE'S STILL HELPING THE DRAGON'S SON GET HER BACK
HOW CAN A PERSON WHO HOPES TO RESTORE HAN...
BE WILLING TO BRING SUCH SADNESS TO THE EMPEROR?
THAT WILL SURELY CAUSE MUCH GRIEF TO THE EMPEROR
TO BE AFFECTED BY YOUR EMOTIONS
IS TO BRING TROUBLE UPON YOURSELF

GRAND MASTER OF ILLUSION?
ISN'T THAT RIGHT...
SHAO HE.
YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT.


THE GOAL IS THE END OF THE HAN DYNASTY.
SHE DOESN'T KNOW LETTING THE DRAGON'S SON RESCUE THE DRAGON MAIDEN IS PART OF ZHONG DA'S PLAN.

THE KILLING AND DESTRUCTION THAT FOLLOW, THAT IS WHAT I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR.
BUT EVEN THAT IS JUST THE BEGINNING ...

HE JUST WANTS TO UNLEASH THE POWER OF BREAKING PHOENIX ONTO THE WORLD!
ZHONG DA IS INCREDIBLE!

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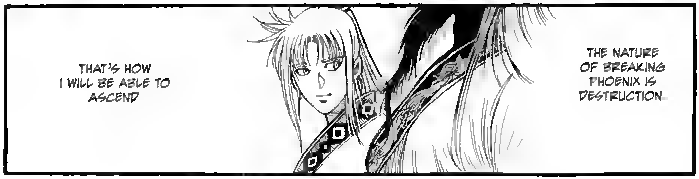
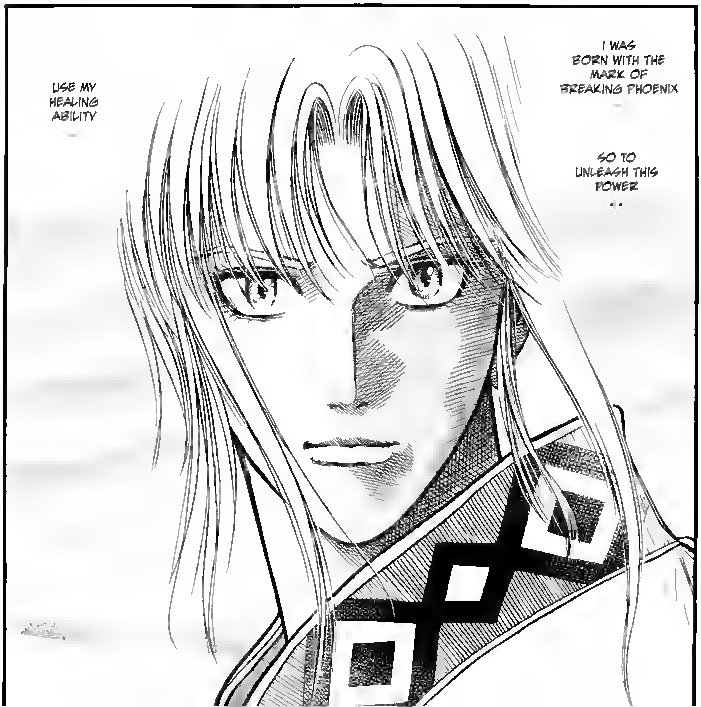
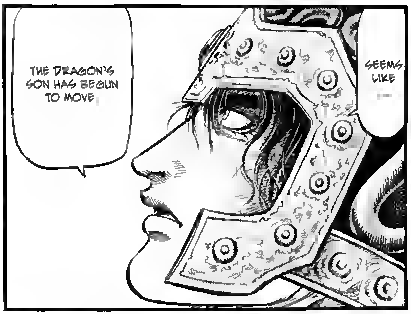
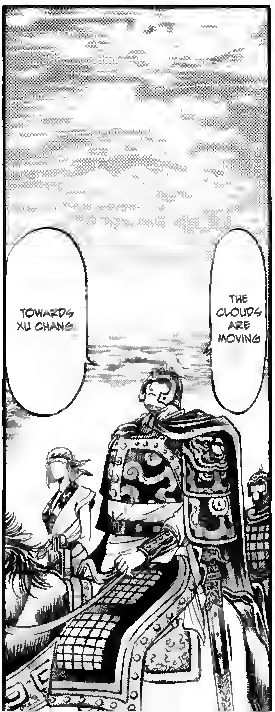

THAT'S HOW I WILL BE ABLE TO ASCEND
THE NATURE OF BREAKING PHOENIX IS DESTRUCTION


USE MY HEALING ABILITY
I WAS BORN WITH THE MARK OF BREAKING PHOENIX
SO TO UNLEASH THIS POWER


THE DRAGON'S SON HAS BEGUN TO MOVE
SEEMS LIKE


THE CLOUDS ARE MOVING
TOWARDS XU CHANG

MY LORD'S PREDICTIONS ALWAYS COME TRUE
HA HA

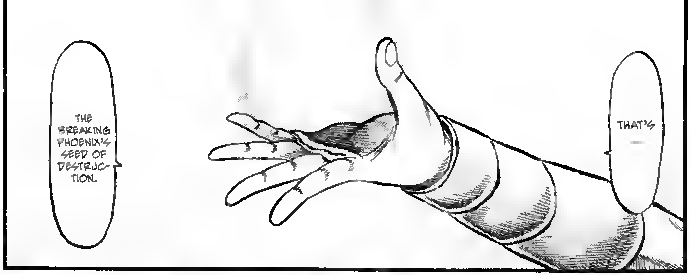
IF THAT BRAT ....
HEARD OF THE RUMOR WE'VE SPREAD ABOUT THE LOCATION OF THE DRAGON MAIDEN ....
THEN RIGHT NOW ....
HE'S PROBABLY RISKING HIS LIFE TO RESCUE HER FROM THE EMPEROR.
HE DOESN'T KNOW ....
THAT THIS IS A TRAP TO DESTROY HAN!

HAAA
I WON'T LOSE HERE!
SHE SYMBOLIZES THE FUTURE OF HAN!

MY EVERY-THING!
SHE'S ...

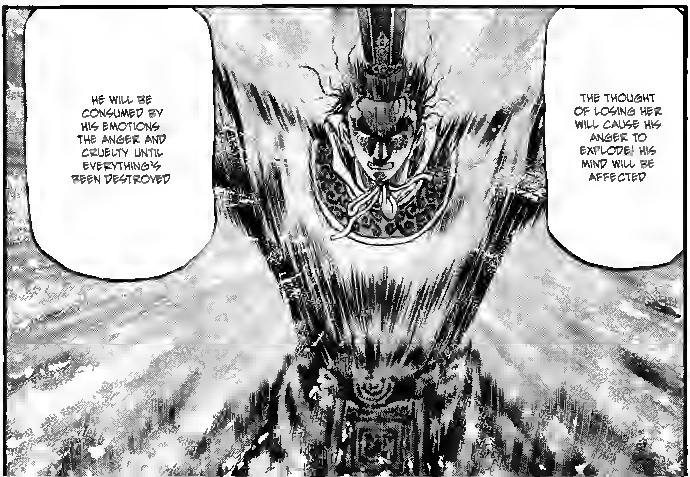
AH...
GIVE IT UP YOUR FIGHTING SKILLS ARE NO MATCH FOR MINE
YOU ARE NOT MY EQUAL IN NEITHER BRAVERY NOR ABILITY
DON'T THINK YOU CAN UNDERSTAND ME, DRAGON'S SON!!
THE ANGER OF AN EMPEROR WHO HAS ALWAYS BEEN LAUGHED AT AND BELITTLED!
HUH?!
NOT YOUR EQUAL?!

YOU WANT ME ...
TO FEEL THAT SHAME ONCE AGAIN?!
HUH?
THE EMPEROR IS EMITTING A BLOOD RED ENERGY ...
CAN THIS BE ...


THE BREAKING PHOENIX'S SEED OF DESTRUCTION
THAT'S

THEN THAT SEED PLANTED INSIDE THE EMPEROR WILL AWAKEN
IF THE DRAGON MAIDEN IS TAKEN AWAY

THE EMPEROR'S LOVE FOR THE DRAGON MAIDEN IS UNMEASURABLE
THAT BRAT WON'T BE PREPARED FOR THAT

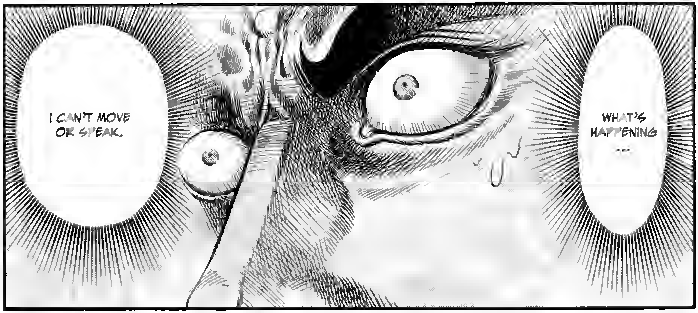

HE WILL BE CONSUMED BY HIS EMOTIONS THE ANGER AND CRUELTY UNTIL EVERYTHING'S BEEN DESTROYED
THE THOUGHT OF LOSING HER WILL CAUSE HIS ANGER TO EXPLODE! HIS MIND WILL BE AFFECTED

HIS MADNESS WILL BE SIMILAR TO THE EVIL EMPEROR OF THE PAST.
HIS ANGER WILL TURN XU CHANG INTO A PLACE OF SUFFERING.
* GO READ HOUSHIN ENGI NOW!
THE REINCARNATION OF ZHOU WANG!

TO THE WORLD OF BREAKING PHOENIX THAT YOU DREAM OF.
WHEN THAT HAPPENS SHAO BA WILL WELCOME YOU
WHAT?
ONLY THE DRAGON'S SON WILL ACT
UNLESS

CLOUDS ARE MOVING RAPIDLY TOWARDS XU CHANG ...
I WONDER IF IT WILL BE RAIN OR LIGHTNING.
HM.
EXACTLY LIKE THE BATTLE ON THE YANGTZE.

UGH...
HUH...


I CAN'T MOVE OR SPEAK.
WHAT'S HAPPENING ...

I'VE BEEN
WHAT?

BUT THAT'S THE ONLY WAY I COULD STOP YOUR HIGHNESS.
IT'S RUDE

FOR THE MOMENT, YOU WON'T EVEN BE ABLE TO BLINK.
I'VE HIT YOUR PRESSURE POINTS.

I'M VERY SORRY
BUT I REALLY NEED TO KNOW WHERE THE DRAGON MAIDEN IS
UGH ...
I CAN'T SEE STRAIGHT ...
COULD THIS BE HYPNOSIS ...
YOU ...
BASTARD ...

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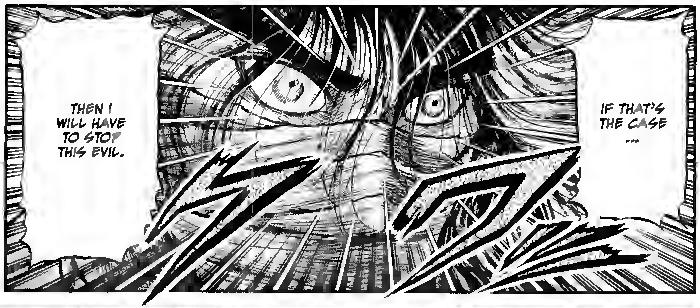
AAAAAAH
HUH?
HE BROKE FREE BY HIMSELF?

YOU IDIOT ...
DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE ME!
I AM THE EMPE-ROR OF HAN!
I WON'T LET YOU DO WHATEVER YOU WANT.
MAYBE ...
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE ...
THAT BLOOD RED ENERGY FROM BEFORE ...
DOES HE ALSO HAVE THE MARK OF BREAKING PHOENIX?

REALLY TRUE
IS IT

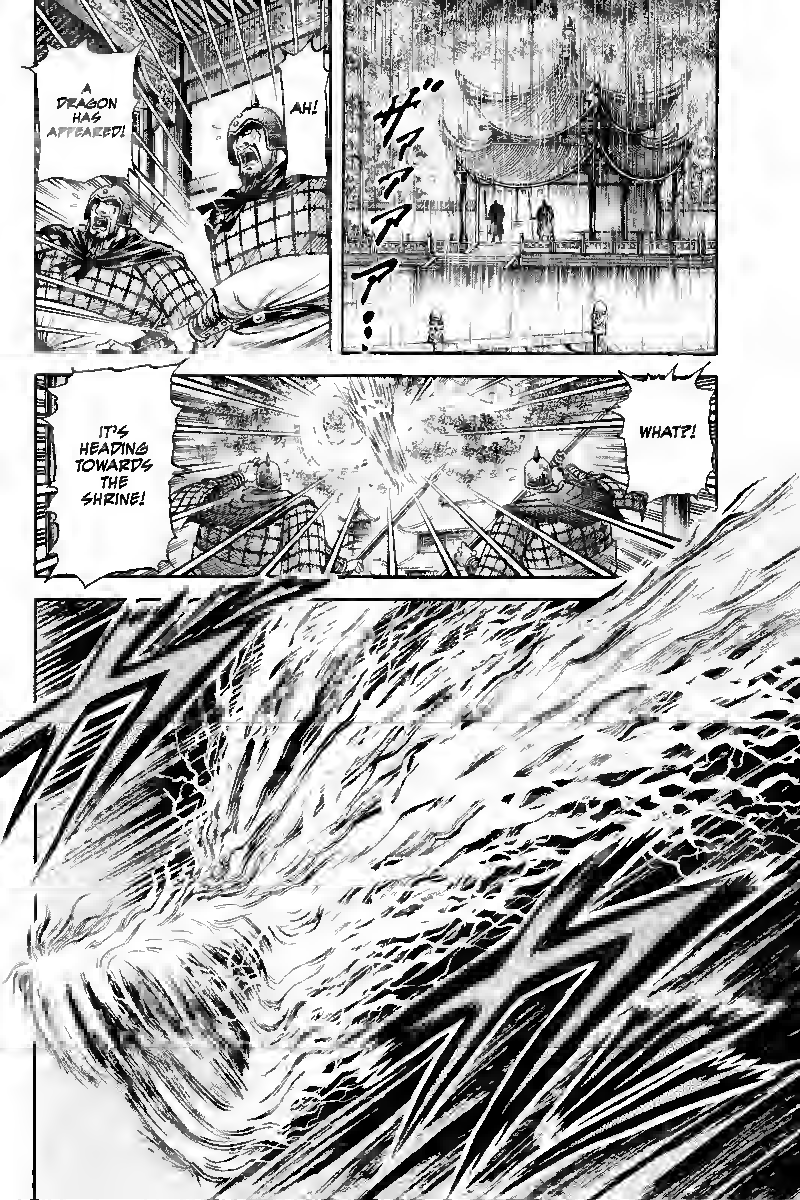

THEN I WILL HAVE TO STOP THIS EVIL.
IF THAT'S THE CASE ...

OH...

WHAT IS THIS LIGHT ...
HUH?

THE NECK LACE ...
IT'S GLOW -ING ...
IS THIS ...
HELP FROM ABOVE ?
WHAT'S THIS?!
THE CLOUDS ABOVE THE ROYAL PALACE ARE PARTING!
WHAT'S HAPPENING ?!

THE LIGHTNINGS HAVE TAKEN THE FORM OF A DRAGON!
A DRAGON!


A DRAGON HAS APPEARED!
AH!
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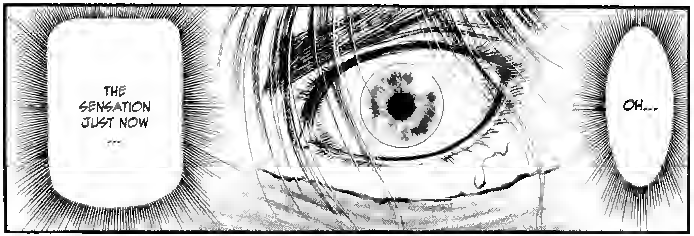
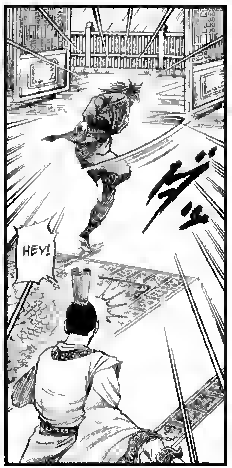
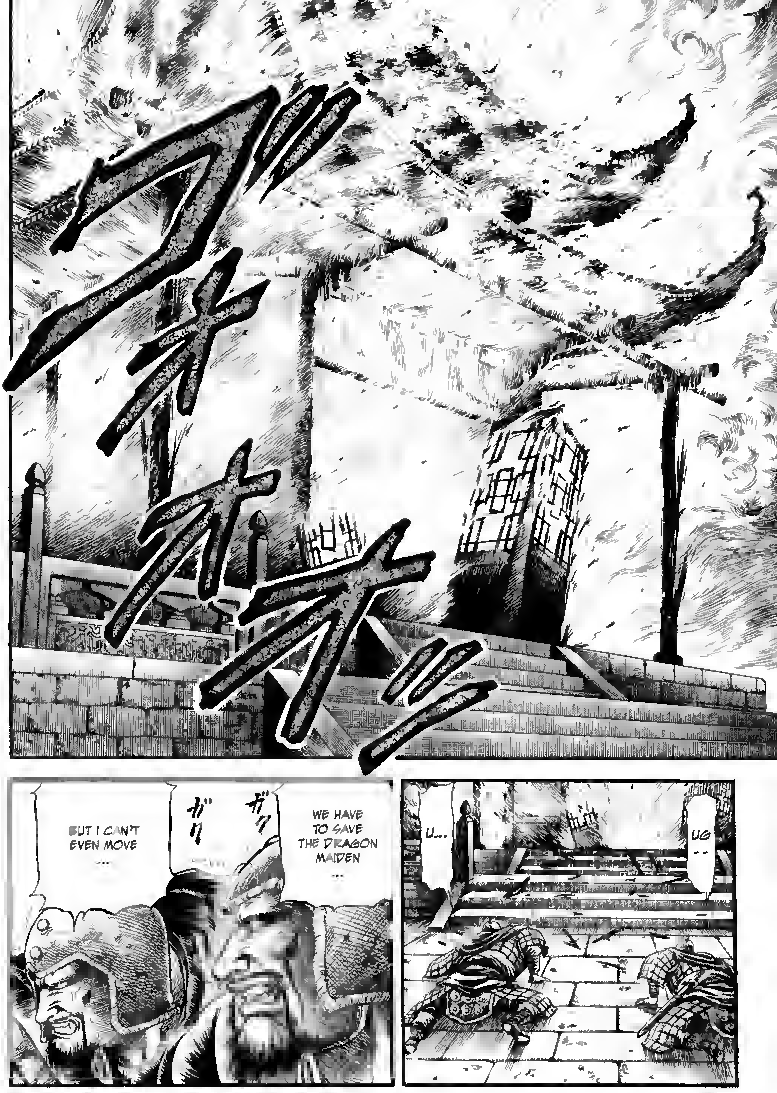
IT'S HEADING TOWARDS THE SHRINE!
WHAT?!


THE SENSATION JUST NOW ...
OH...


HEY!

YOUR HIGHNESS!
BASTARD!
TRYING TO RUN AWAY?!
SOMETHING BAD HAS HAPPENED!
LIGHTING HAS STRUCK THE ANCESTOR SHRINE!
THE SHRINE ...
THE DRAGON MAIDEN IS STILL ASLEEP ...
WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?
HUH?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BUT I CAN'T EVEN MOVE ...
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WE HAVE TO SAVE THE DRAGON MAIDEN ...
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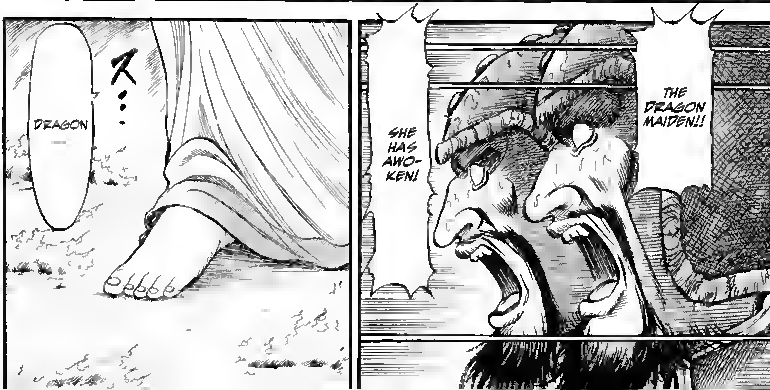
THE DRAGON MAIDEN!!
SHE HAS AWO-KEN!
ス…
DRAGON

TO ROUSE ME FROM MY SLEEP.
THE DRAGON HAS COME.

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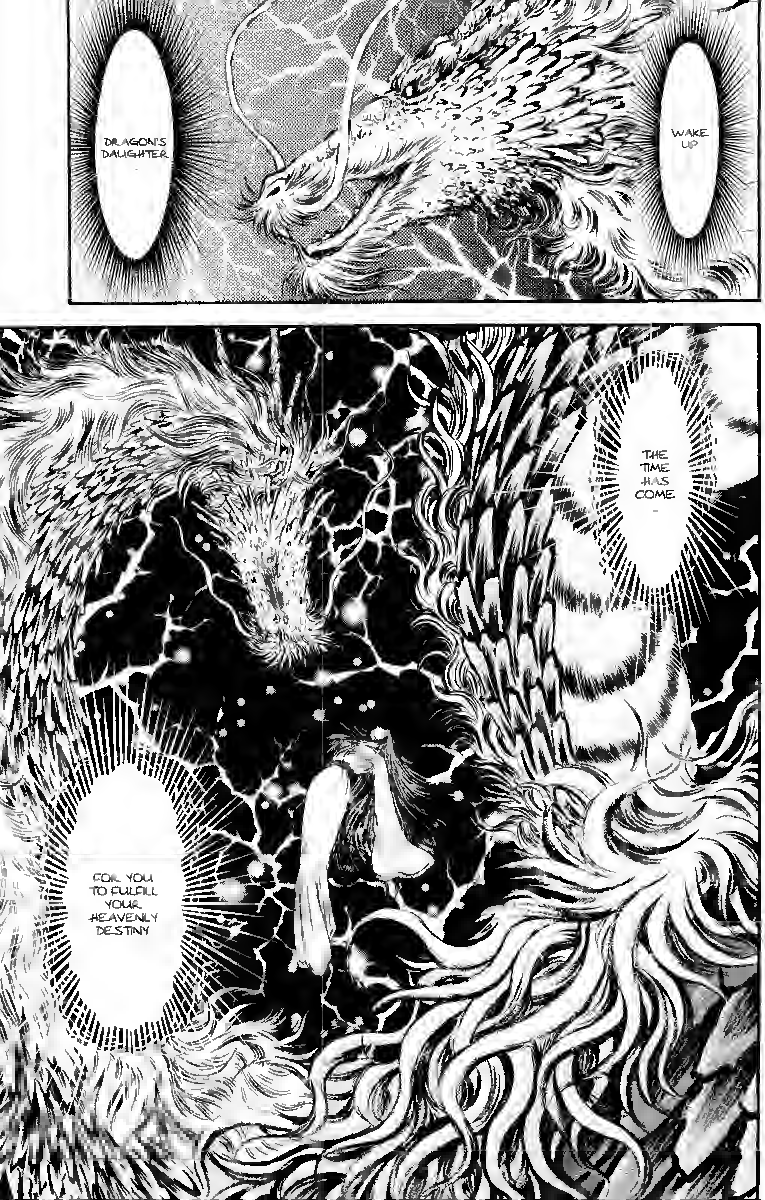
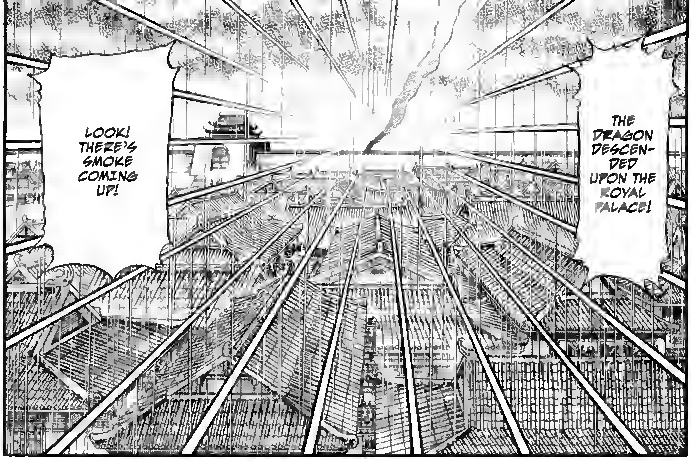
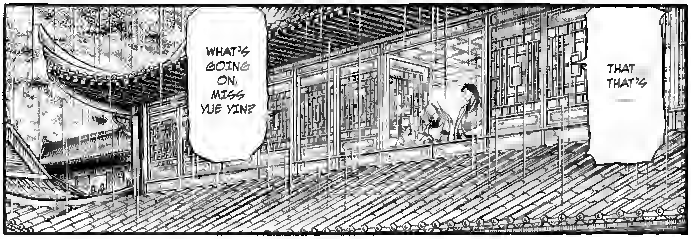
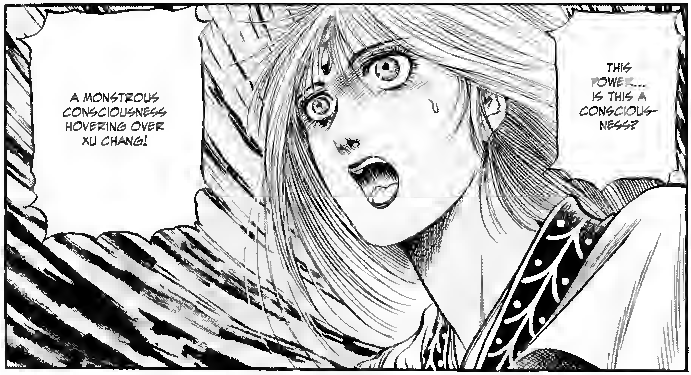

DRAGON'S DAUGHTER
WAKE UP
THE TIME HAS COME
FOR YOU TO FULFILL YOUR HEAVENLY DESTINY

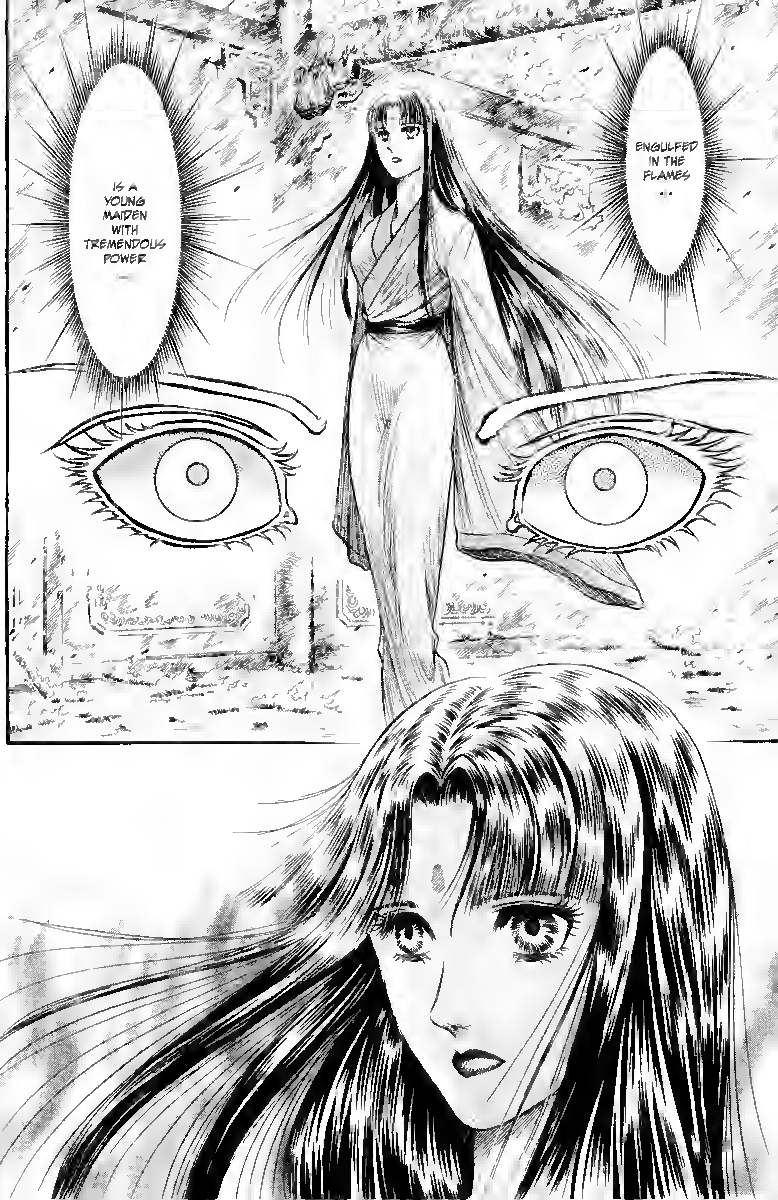
Chapter 87
THE BURNING ROYAL HAREM
GRANT YOU MY POWERS
I WILL NOW


LOOK! THERE'S SMOKE COMING UP!
THE DRAGON DESCENDED UPON THE ROYAL PALACE!


WHAT'S GOING ON, MISS YUE YIN?
THAT THAT'S


A MONSTROUS CONSCIOUSNESS HOVERING OVER XU CHANG!
THIS POWER... IS THIS A CONSCIOUSNESS?

DID IT
ARRIVE WITH THE DRAGON?
OH...
NO. THAT'S WHAT I HAD THOUGHT
...
BUT NOW I DON'T THINK SO
...
I CAN SEE IT CLEARLY
A POWERFUL CONSCIOUSNESS RISING UP FROM THE ROYAL PALACE!


IS A YOUNG MAIDEN WITH TREMENDOUS POWER
ENGULFED IN THE FLAMES...

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PLEASE GET OUT OF THERE, DRAGON MAIDEN!
THE FIRE IS GETTING OUT OF CONTROL!!
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DOES SHE WANT TO DIE?!
WHY DID SHE STOP?!
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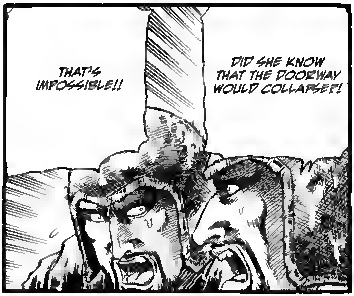
COLLAPSED IN FRONT OF HER!
THE DOOR-WAY ...

DRAGON MAIDEN...
HAS GOTTEN OUT...


DID SHE KNOW THAT THE DOORWAY WOULD COLLAPSE?
THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!!

AH..

HOW COULD SHE HAVE KNOWN?!
IS SHE REALLY A GODDESS?

YOU TWO ARE NOT SOLDIERS OF HAN
BUT ZHONG DAG MEN.

HUH?

HOW.
HOW DOES SHE KNOW EVEN THOUGH WE'VE NEVER MET?

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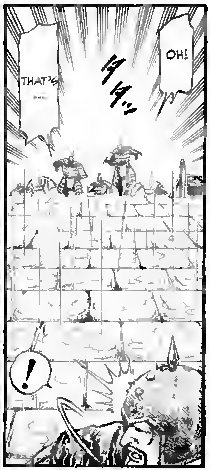
THIS WARM FEELING…
OH…

MY BODY WAS NUMB FROM BEING HIT BY LIGHTNING
I CAN MOVE
NOW
STAND UP
THE SAME HEALING ABILITY AS LORD SHAO HE...
SHE ALSO HAS...
YES.
ZHONG DA IS MY ETERNAL ENEMY.
UGH..
WHY DID YOU HEAL US EVEN THOUGH WE'RE ZHONG DA'S MEN?!
WHY..

HOW COULD I IGNORE THAT?
BUT YOU STILL HAVE HONOR IN YOUR HEARTS.

THE DRAGON MAIDEN!
LOOK!


OH!
THAT'S...
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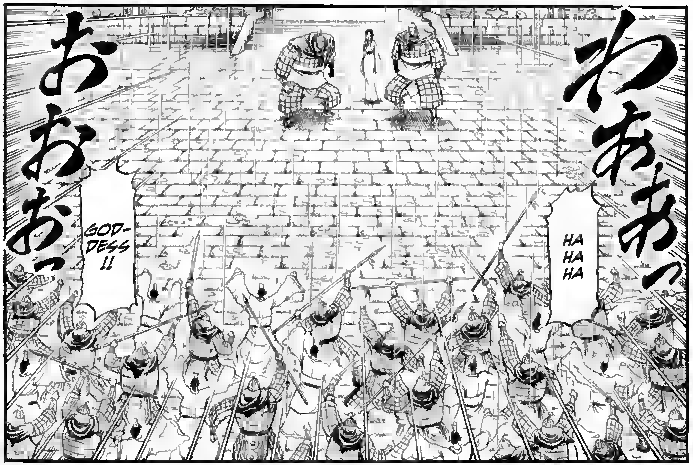
THE DRAGON MAIDEN REALLY WAS IN XU CHANG!
OH!
THAT'S RIGHT! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!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GOD-DESS !!
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EVERY ONE
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OH...

HMPH ...
ARE YOU GATHERING TO WATCH THE FIRE?

HUH?
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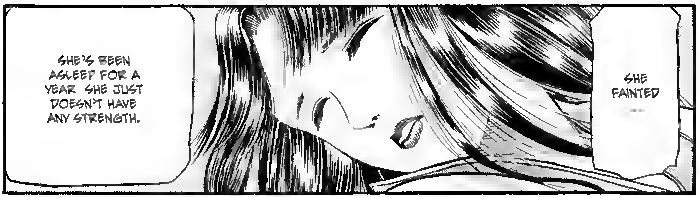
AH..


SHE'S BEEN ASLEEP FOR A YEAR. SHE JUST DOESN'T HAVE ANY STRENGTH.
SHE FAINTED ...

THIS IS THE KINDNESS OF THE DRAGON MAIDENS
DESPITE US BEING ENEMIES ...
HAD TO HEAL US ...
AND SHE ALSO ...

HUH?
OH!

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UGH!
SUCH PRESSURE!
IS THIS...
THE DRAGON'S SON?
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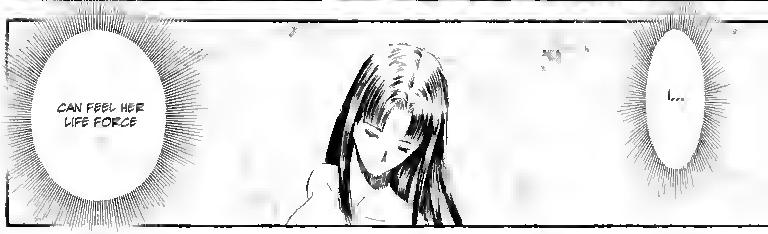
MA...
MASUMI


I...
CAN FEEL HER LIFE FORCE

SHE'S ALIVE
SHE'S STILL ALIVE!

MASUMI!
DO YOU KNOW HOW POWERLESS I FELT?
NOT BEING ABLE TO SAVE YOU BACK THEN?

THAT YOU WERE STILL ALIVE . .
BUT I ALWAYS BELIEVED . .
I ALWAYS BELIEVED . . .

YEAH.
LET'S DO IT.
!
ARE YOU SERIOUS?
!
PLEASE TAKE THE DRAGON MAIDEN AND LEAVE.
DRAGON'S SON.
WE HAVE TO REPAY HER.
WE WERE HURT AND SHE SAVED US.

STOP!
YOU
OH!
THAT'S THE EMPE-ROR!
HE TRIED TO ASSASSINATE ME!
BUT HE FAILED SO NOW HE'S TRYING TO ESCAPE!
YOU TWO!
WHY DID YOU HAND THE DRAGON MAIDEN OVER TO HIM!

STOP HIM AT ONCE! I'LL REWARD WHOEVER MANAGE TO KILL HIM!
THIS IS AN ORDER!
SO HE'S JUST AN ASSASSIN!
OH!
IF HE GETS AWAY, WE'LL BE PUNISHED!
HOW DARE HE BREAK INTO THE ROYAL PALACE!
WE HAVE TO CARRY IT OUT OR FACE THE CONSE-QUENCES!
THE EMPEROR'S ORDER ...

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HUH?
AH..

WHAT?!
OH...

SO TAKE THE DRAGON MAIDEN AWAY FROM HERE!
WE WILL MAKE A PATH...
RUN AWAY, DRAGON'S SON!
HURRY!
YOU GUYS
REALLY WANT TO REPAY MASUMI?
WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THIS!
MORE SOLDIERS WILL ARRIVE SOON!
YES!
I WILL NEVER FORGET THIS!

ANYONE WHO DOESN'T WILL BE KILLED!
MOVE ASIDE!
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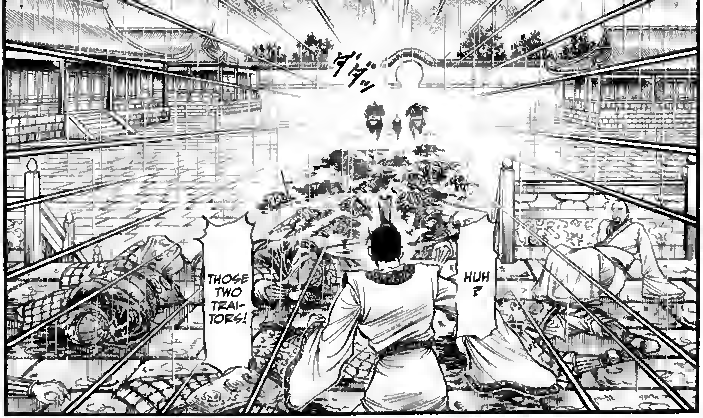
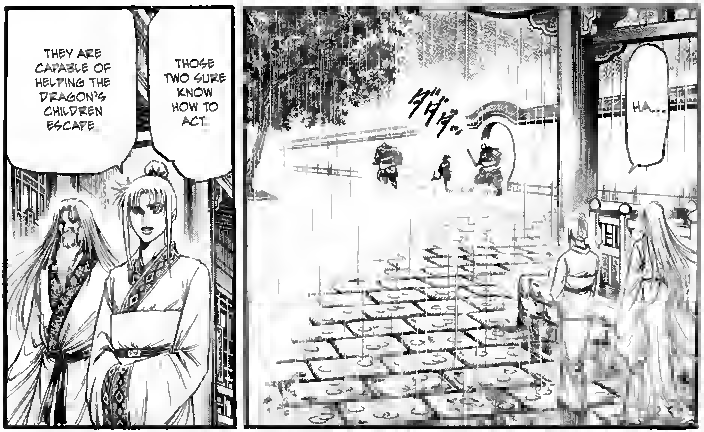
AAH!

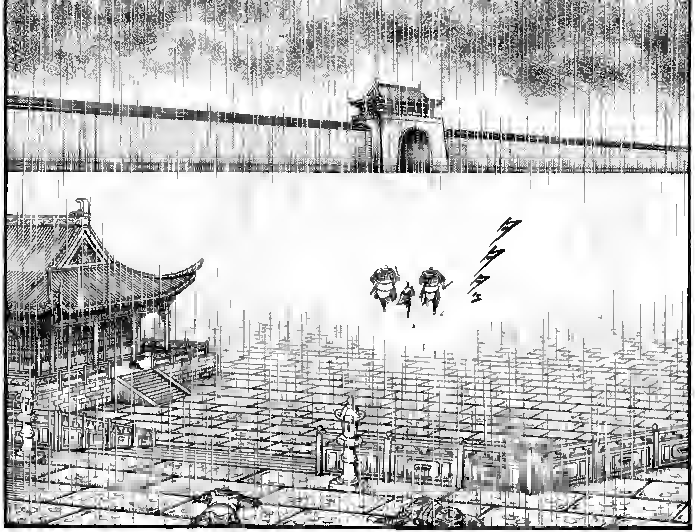

THOSE TWO TRAI-TORS!
HUH?

HOW DARE YOU BETRAY ME?
YOU CHENG, ZOU CHENG ...


THEY ARE CAPABLE OF HELPING THE DRAGON'S CHILDREN ESCAPE
THOSE TWO SURE KNOW HOW TO ACT.
HA...

AS LONG AS THOSE TWO GUARDS ARE ABLE TO HELP THEM ESCAPE THE EMPEROR WILL STILL GO CRAZY
THOUGH LETTING PEOPLE FIND OUT THE EXISTENCE OF THE DRAGON MAIDEN WAS UNWANTED
ZHONG DAYI'AN WAS TO HAVE THE DRAGON'S SON SECRETLY RESCUE HE.
BUT WHO KNEW THAT LIGHTNING WOULD AWAKEN THE DRAGON MAIDEN.
I CAN FEEL A VERY POWERFUL ENERGY
UNLESS... THAT CHILD HAS THE HEAVENLY DESTINY AND CAN CHANGE HISTORY
RADIATING FROM THE DRAGON MAIDEN... THIS IS A FIRST, EVEN FOR AN ENLIGHTENED ONE LIKE MYSELF

EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENS IS EITHER RANDOM OR PREORDAINED
HISTORY IS JUST A TIMELINE
CHANGE HISTORY...?
RANDOM WILL BECOME PREORDAINED. EVERYTHING WILL OCCUR TO PROTECT THOSE PEOPLE.
BUT THERE ARE STILL THOSE WHO CAN ALTER HISTORY
IF THAT POWER IS AWAKEN, THEN ZHONG DA'S PLANS MIGHT BE STOPPED
IT'S BASICALLY BEING PROTECTED BY THE HEAVEN.



IT'S NOT WELL SECURED THERE!
WE CAN SEE THE GATE!

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ZOU CHENG, YOU CHENG.
YOU SURE HAVEN'T THOUGHT THIS THROUGH
TIME FOR THE CURTAINS TO FALL.
TOO BAD

MA CHAO?!
MA CHAO!
YOU ARE ...
THE LEGENDARY GENERAL WHO'S ZHANG FEI AND GUAN YU'S EQUAL!
I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'D MEET LIKE THIS.
LIKE STANDING IN FRONT OF A FEROCIOUS TIGER.
I FEEL A BIT NUMB

YOU TWO ARE PRETTY WELL KNOWN IN THE TIGER BRIGADE.
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO EXCHANGE SKILLS.
COME.
SHOW ME WHAT YOU HAVE BEFORE I CRUSH YOU LIKE BUGS.
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